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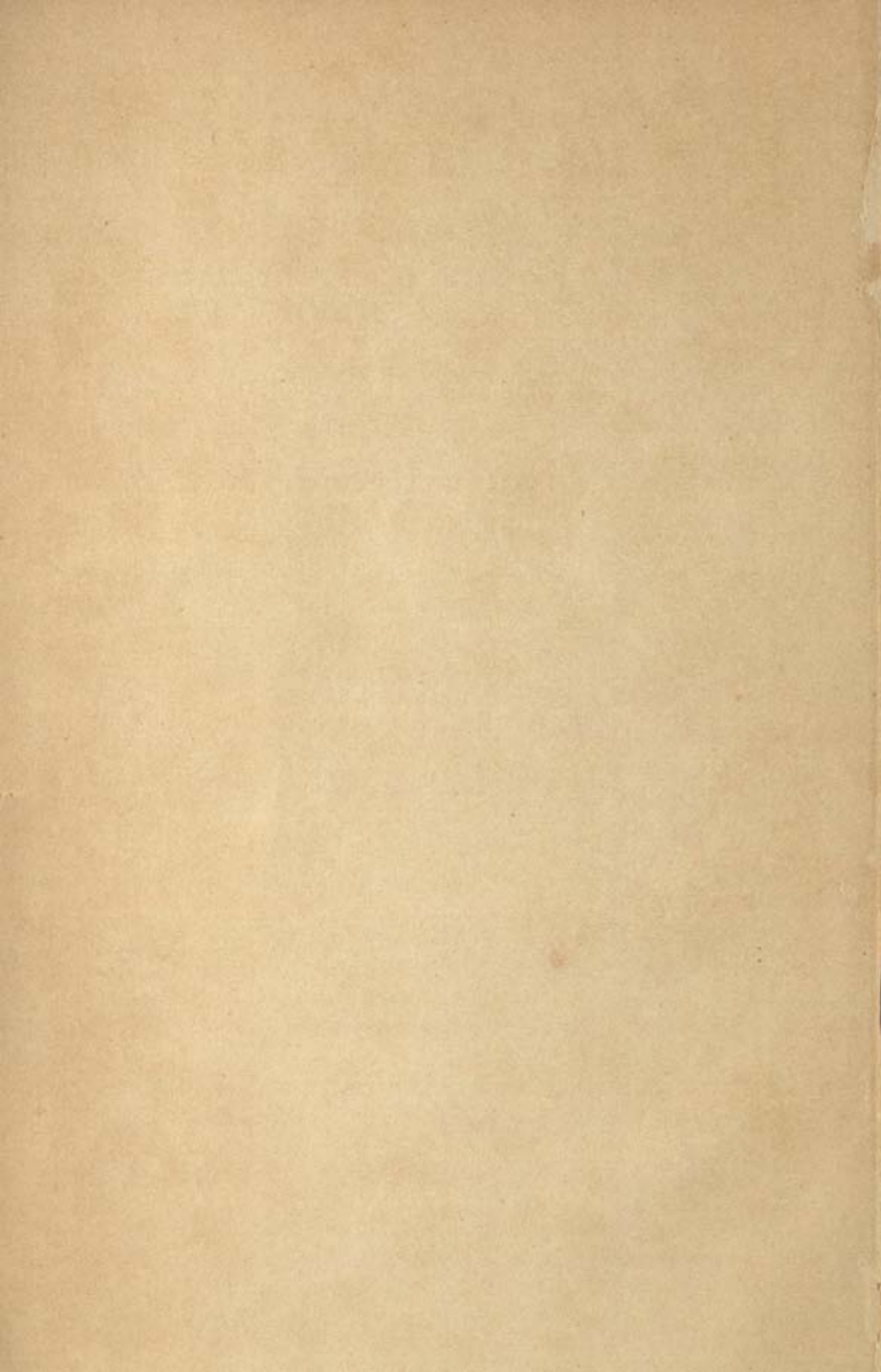
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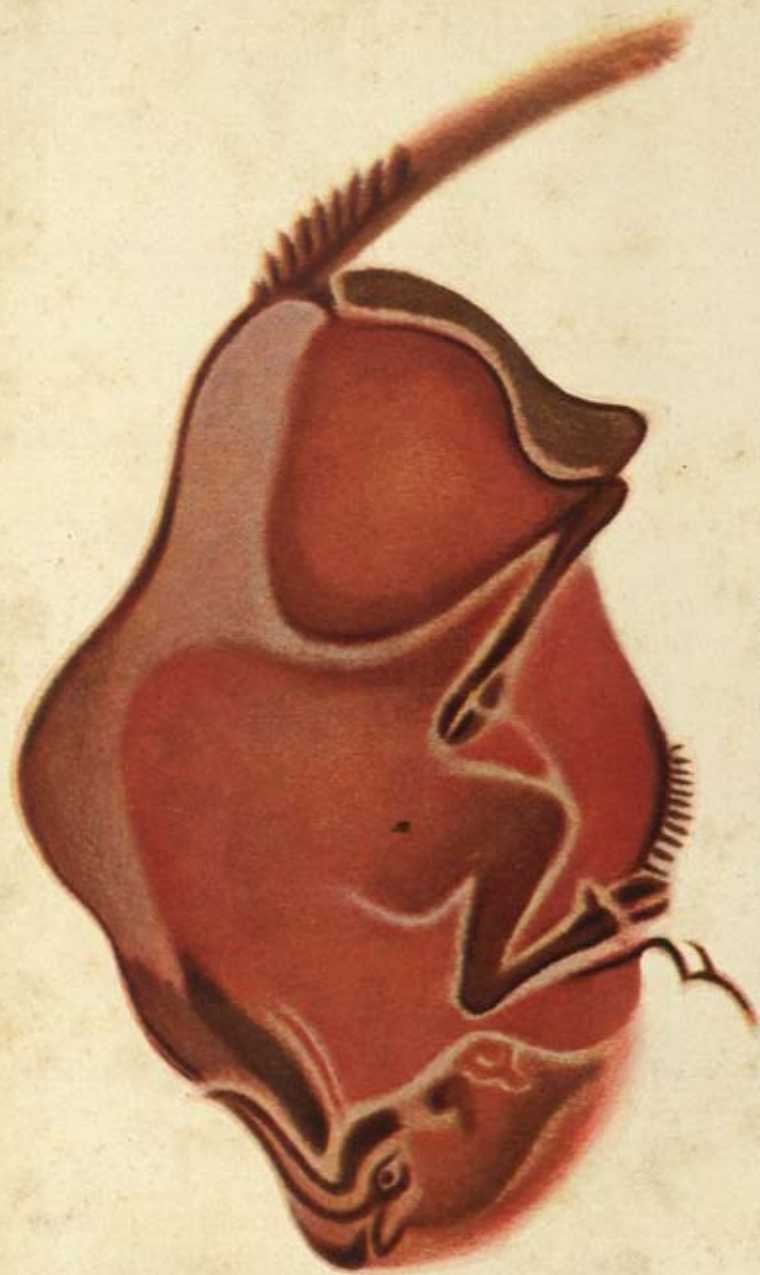


PLATE I

Bison lying down—a polychrome painting on the ceiling of the cave of Altamira, near Santillana del Mar, Santander. After E. Cartailhac and H. Breuil.  
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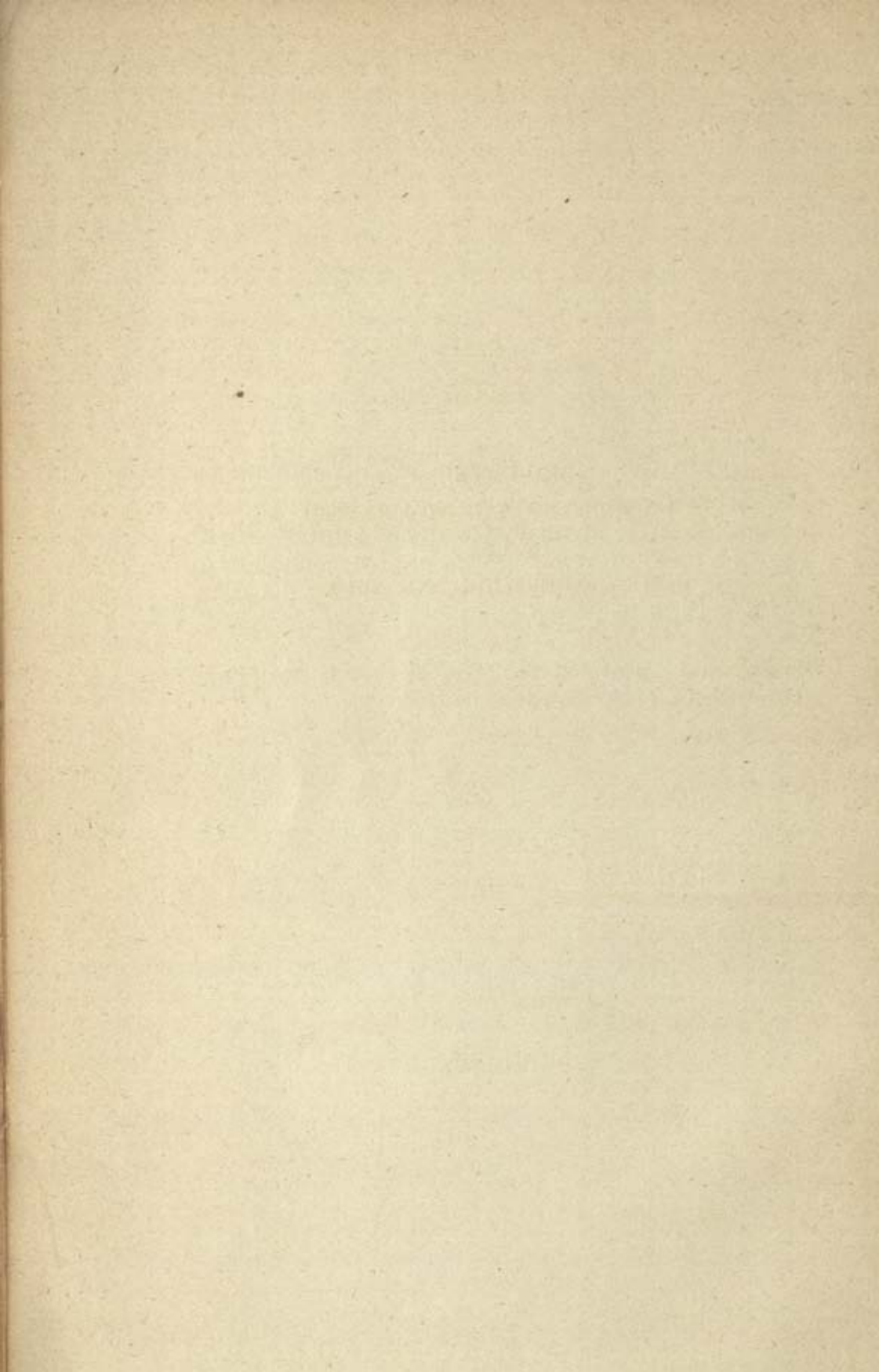
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## INTRODUCTION

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THE purpose of this Introduction is not only to introduce the author with fitting recognition of his scholarly devotion to the cause of archæology, but also to show that the *Prehistory of Spain* is absolutely essential to the understanding of the history of Spain, and that the remote sources of the character, the intelligence, the artistic and literary genius of her people lie very, very far back in prehistoric times when man lived in direct contact with nature and his survival depended on the cultivation of the closest powers of observation. It was these powers of observation, combined with native spiritual and intellectual impulses, which later became the fountain head of the art and literature of the Iberian Peninsula.

By sea and land Spain has ever been the halfway station of human prehistory and history between the precocious cultures and civilizations developed to the east and south-east of the Mediterranean, and the retarded cultures and civilizations of western Europe. The relatively open lands of north Africa and the smooth summer waters of the Mediterranean afforded more attractive and more open migration routes than the river borders and dense forests of the European mainland at the close of the Ice Age. It is therefore not surprising to find that the prehistoric cultures of Spain constitute a connecting link between the ancient Orient and the ancient Occident, and we are but barely beginning to appreciate the importance of the rôle thus played by Spain. The explorations of the distinguished author of this volume, of the brilliant Henri Breuil, and of the long line of Spanish archæologists quoted and cited by the author have—within the last four decades—played a prominent part in expanding our knowledge of the prehistory of all of western Europe, and in giving Fossil Man in Spain his proper setting in the drama of prehistory.

As in archæology generally, the prehistorian is guided chiefly by the vestiges of human arts and industries, and much more rarely by the more or less fossilized skeletal remains of man himself, which are as rare and perishable as flint and pottery are abundant and enduring. The prehistoric invasions of Spain which we know of at present were as follows:

OLD STONE AGE—*treated in the present volume.*

1. *First invasion—from Africa.* The primitive Chellean and Acheulean industries in stone spread from Egypt over northern Africa and through Spain into western Europe. At a later cultural stage, the Mousterian, which constitutes a further evolution of the two earlier cultures (its beginning estimated at 40,000 B.C.), fossil remains of men of the *Neanderthal Race* are found in Spain, France, Belgium, Germany, Jugo-Slavia, and Czecho-Slovakia. The Heidelberg Race, remains of which are found in Germany, is probably ancestral to this race and may have been contemporaneous with the Pre-Chellean culture; no trace of it has yet been found in Spain.
2. *Second invasion—from north of the Pyrenees.* The more recent and advanced industries in stone—Aurignacian, Solutrean, and Magdalenian—indicate the presence of the *Crô-Magnon Race*, the art people, of high mental type, who appear in northern Spain, France, Italy (Grimaldi), Germany, England, and possibly Poland and Hungary. These industries give us our first approximation to accurate prehistoric time because the earliest of them and the first appearance of the Crô-Magnon Race coincide with the close of the final great glaciation of Europe, about 25,000 B.C. As these Crô-Magnons have not been found in northern Africa, it would seem that they entered Spain from the north—an important point fully discussed by Dr. Obermaier.
3. *Third invasion—from Africa.* The advent of the Capsian culture and industry in stone—apparently identical with the early phase of the Aurignacian above mentioned, and named from Gafsa in southern Tunis—is characterized by a new kind of silhouette art with very spirited human and animal figures, readily distinguished from the more realistic Crô-Magnon art. This early Capsian culture was widespread over southern and eastern Spain, and probably indicates the first southern invasion of the *Mediterranean Race*, a race of narrow-headed, short-



statured brunettes, although fossil remains of these people are as yet unknown. The later and final phases of Capsian culture extended northward into France, where its miniature flint implements appear in the Azilian stations of Ariège, and in the Tardenoisian fishing flints of France, Belgium, and the British Isles. This Capsian culture was undoubtedly developed in Africa and brought from there.

#### NEW STONE AGE.

4. *Fourth invasion—from the northern and eastern coasts of the Mediterranean.* Transitional Mesolithic stone industries, passing into the fully developed Neolithic culture with its characteristic polished stone implements, pottery, domesticated animals, and evidences of the pursuit of agriculture (about 7000-3000 B.C.). This industry is believed to indicate the first arrival of the native stock known later to the Romans as *Iberians*, doubtless a northern branch of the *Mediterranean Race* above referred to. This culture shows such striking similarities to some of the earliest industries at Hissarlik in Asia Minor that it seems not unlikely that it reached Spain from Asia by a route along the northern shores of the Mediterranean. During the development of this Neolithic culture, there is evidence that seems to indicate the presence of mariners and traders from the east, who established stations along the coast and at the mouths of rivers, worked the rich mines of virgin silver, and used implements of finely chipped flint, copper, ivory, and many other articles that indicate Egyptian and oriental influence. Primitive dolmens, burial monuments probably connected with sun worship, were used by the Neolithic natives, while the foreign colonists—whom Siret believes to be the early Phœnicians, tributary to Egypt—built circular passage graves.

#### THE AGES OF BRONZE AND OF IRON.

5. *Fifth Invasion—from central Europe.* The industry of the Age of Bronze, with burials in huge pottery urns or in separate cists, has an aspect purely occidental, and would seem to indicate an invasion of *Celts* from the north—people of the broad-headed *Alpine Race*.

The first and second migrations or invasions were of races which have disappeared in Spain, but have left traces in northern Europe. The fourth and fifth invasions explain



the distribution of the three native races of Spain known to the Romans, namely :

- a Iberians (of Mediterranean Race) to the east, north, and south.
- b Celts (of Alpine Race) to the northwest.
- c Celtiberians (mingled Celts and Iberians) in the center.

Ever westward and northward extended the culture of the New Stone Age, followed in the Age of Copper and the Age of Bronze by the cultures characterized by the use of metals, as follows :<sup>1</sup>

Copper used in

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Egypt and Chaldea . . . . .                          | 5000 B.C. |
| Troy, Greece, Sicily, Hungary, and Spain . . . . .   | 3000 B.C. |
| Northern and central Europe, and in France . . . . . | 2500 B.C. |

Bronze used in

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Egypt and Chaldea . . . . .                 | 3000 B.C. |
| Troy, Greece, and Sicily . . . . .          | 2500 B.C. |
| Central Europe, France, and Spain . . . . . | 2000 B.C. |

# BEGINNING OF THE HISTORIC PERIOD.

6. *Sixth invasion—from Africa.* Phœnician mariners from Tyre—probably of *Semitic Race*—entered Spain as traders, not as settlers, and founded Gades (Cadiz), the “oldest town in Europe which has kept a continuity of life and name from its first origin,” although the chief Phœnician exploitation dates

<sup>1</sup> A recent authority, Louis Siret, gives much more recent dates for bronze and copper in Spain, namely :

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Close of Neolithic . . . . .              | 1500 B.C.      |
| Eneolithic—Copper Age . . . . .           | 1200 B.C.      |
| Age of Bronze . . . . .                   | 1200— 800 B.C. |
| Age of Iron in Spain, 1st phase . . . . . | 800— 450 B.C.  |
| Age of Iron in Spain, 2d phase . . . . .  | 450— 200 B.C.  |

See his important work on *Questions de Chronologie et d’Ethnographie ibériques*, tome i, *De la fin du Quaternaire à la fin du Bronze*, 1913, with preface by Emile Cartailhac. Since 1913 the tendency has been to push the discovery and introduction of metals much farther back. Thus in remote Scandinavia, much more retarded in culture than Spain, Montelius gives the following dates in 1921:

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| New Stone Age (Neolithic) . . . . .     | 3500—1700 B.C. |
| Age of Bronze . . . . .                 | 1800— 700 B.C. |
| Transition to the Age of Iron . . . . . | 700— 550 B.C.  |

This would place the Bronze Age in Scandinavia 600 years earlier than the Age of Bronze in Spain according to Siret’s chronology.

after the rise of Carthage. Then the *Carthaginians* entered Spain as colonists, and were dominant there during the second half of the third century B.C., making many settlements and founding the fortress of Novo Carthago, the modern Cartagena, with the best harbor of southeastern Spain. The ancient Greeks cannot be considered as having any appreciable influence in Spain, for they occupied few sites south of the Pyrenees, although dominant in southern France in their colony of Massalia (Marseilles).

7. *Seventh invasion—from Italy.* Firm historic ground is reached with the advent of the *Romans*, of blended *Alpine* and *Mediterranean* stock, who drove the Carthaginians out of the Iberian Peninsula in 201 B.C. and completed its conquest by taking Numantia in 133 B.C.
8. *Eighth invasion—from northern Europe.* The dominance of Roman civilization endured from 201 B.C. to 406 A.D., when the *Vandals*, *Suebi*, and *Alans* invaded Spain from the north. These tribes are regarded by anthropologists as branches of the *Nordic Race*, and this invasion constitutes the first recorded entry of these peoples into the racial stock and social development of the Iberian Peninsula.
9. *Ninth invasion—from northern Europe.* In 415-419 A.D. the *Visigoths*, led by Wallia, destroyed the Alans and drove the Vandals and Suebi into the northwest. In 428 Gaiseric, king of the Vandals, left Spain to found the Vandal kingdom of Carthage in Africa, but before their departure he and his followers overran and plundered southern Spain. With the defeat and departure of these, the influence of the Visigoths became increasingly stronger, their period of dominance extending from 531 to 711 A.D., during which kings of the Visigoths were established in Spain. The same racial stock, or one very closely related, continued in power in the line of the "Kings of the Goths" ruling in the Christian northwest of Spain from 718 to 914 A.D.

These two Nordic invasions (8 and 9) are of deep interest, both to the anthropologist and to the man of letters, inasmuch as they introduced into Spain the northern blood—the typical fair hair, blue eyes, and lofty stature of the Nordic Race. It has been claimed that Cervantes was of this stock, and there can be no doubt in regard to Camoëns, the soldier-poet of Portugal.



10. *Tenth invasion—from Africa.* In 711 the Saracen invaders, consisting of *Syrians, Arabs, and Berbers*—and therefore chiefly of *Semitic Race*—entered Spain with their Mahometan religion and Arabian culture, inspired by a fierce fighting spirit which overcame the resistance of the native inhabitants and established the Moorish power in southern Spain, where it remained firmly seated for many centuries, being finally broken and driven out in 1492.

Thus—aside from many lesser invasions, cultural and linguistic—the prehistory and history of Spain include ten great invasions, each with its distinctive culture, art, industry, and religion. These cultures were the expression of at least six racial stocks, namely, the Neanderthal, the Crô-Magnon, the Mediterranean, the Celtic-Alpine, the Semitic, and the Nordic. Prehistoric Man is coming into his own with the daily increasing proofs that his spiritual and mental powers were equal to ours, if not superior, and also with the realization that many of these fossil and prehistoric men are our direct ancestors, whether we be of Mediterranean, of Alpine, or of Nordic stock.

The author of the present volume, Dr. Hugo Obermaier, wrote his great work on *Der Mensch der Vorzeit* in 1912. For a long period he worked under the superb opportunities afforded by the Institut de Paléontologie humaine founded by the Prince of Monaco in 1910. Under the tutelage of the dean of French archaeologists, Emile Cartailhac, and with the comradeship of the present leader of modern French archaeology, Henri Breuil, his life was especially devoted to work in northern Spain. It was here that he conducted the writer of this Introduction through that classic center of Crô-Magnon art, the cavern of Altamira, and also to the most remarkable Old Stone Age deposit ever discovered, namely, the cultural layers in the cave of Castillo, which cover the long period from the Acheulean industry in stone to the beginning of the Age of Copper. On entering the circle of Spanish archaeologists, Dr. Obermaier produced his scholarly and exhaustive account of *El Hombre Fósil* in 1916. Before allowing the present volume to appear, he has devoted months to the tireless and careful revision of his Spanish text, and to extensive alterations and additions, all



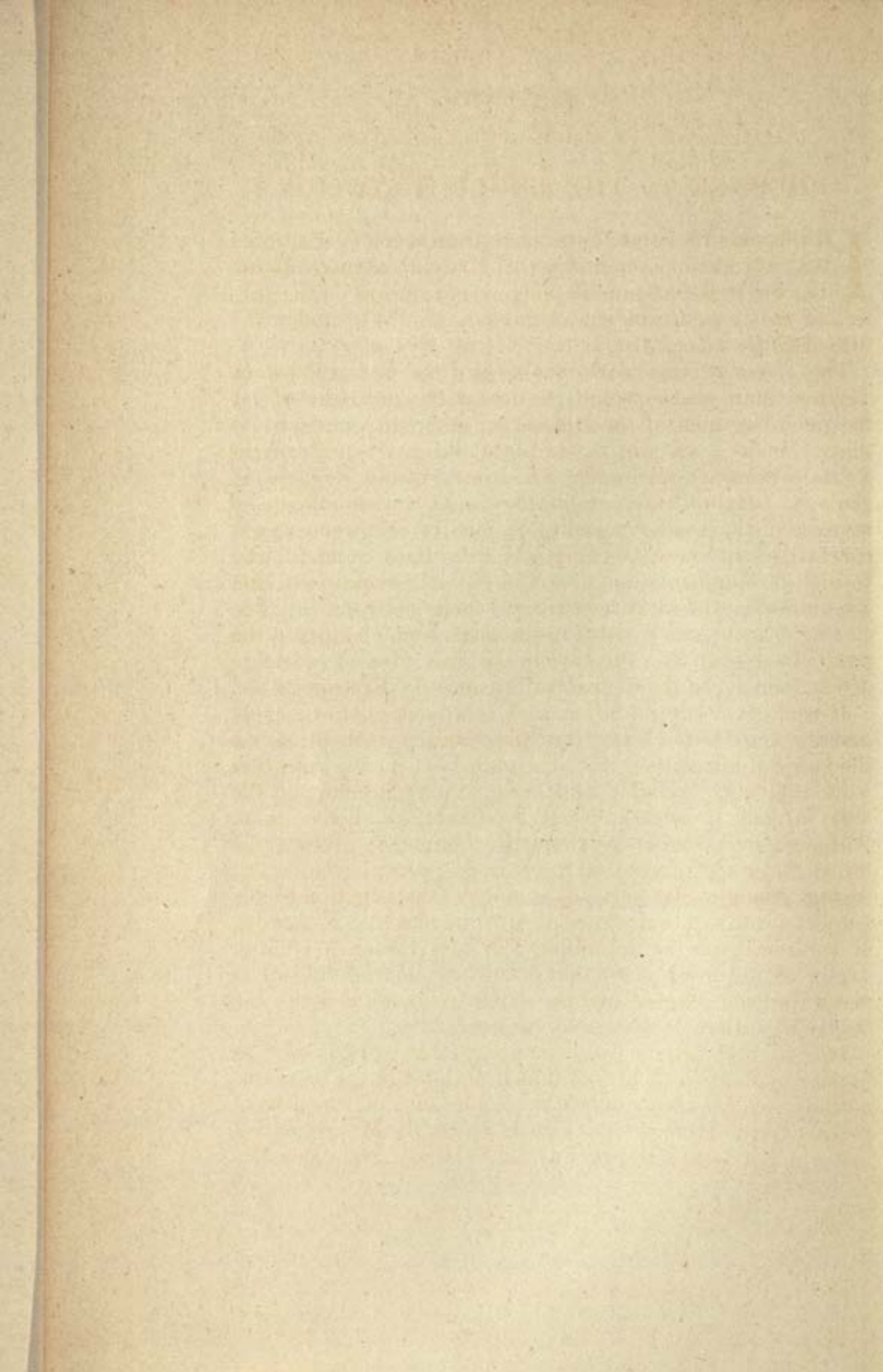
of which have been translated with great fidelity by Miss Christine D. Matthew for publication by The Hispanic Society of America under the title of *Fossil Man in Spain*. Every chapter has passed under the eye of the author and represents his latest views up to the summer of 1922, when the last additional text was sent by him to the translator. It will thus be seen that this volume presents the last word on the prehistory of Spain.

In writing this Introduction I recall that my own sentimental interest in the history of Spain was inspired by my journey there in the year 1868 under the guidance of my father. We toured through the center of Spain and the north and south, and then journeyed along the eastern side of the Peninsula, visiting Granada and some of the similar sites of the east coast. The chief historic sites, the architectural monuments, the scenes, and the people—still in their native costume everywhere—were deeply impressed on my youthful mind. They remained in my visual memory and are recalled with delight after the lapse of over half a century.

I hope that these youthful impressions of fifty-five years ago may be prophetic of a similar delightful state of mind as the reader is carried back many thousands of years by Dr. Obermaier's scholarly research into the nearer and more remote evidences of the dawn of human culture in the Iberian Peninsula.

HENRY FAIRFIELD OSBORN.

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## PREFACE TO THE ENGLISH EDITION

**I**N the year 1915 the Junta para Ampliación de Estudios e Investigaciones científicas, of Madrid, entrusted to me the writing of a comprehensive general work on the subject of fossil men, which was published in 1916 under the title of *El Hombre Fósil*.

The object of this work was to present the problem of Tertiary man, and especially to deal with what is known of the primitive men of the Glacial Epoch; and in regard to them I made it my aim to correlate and give equal weight to the evidence afforded by the four related sciences of geology, palæontology, archæology, and anthropology, so as to give the reader a complete picture of these ancient forefathers of ours, showing not only their cultural and bodily development, but also the climatic conditions and the animal world which constituted their environment. The closing chapter was devoted to the phases which marked the transition from the Pleistocene to the present geologic epoch, namely, to the Epipalæolithic and the Protoneolithic.

It was never my intention that this book should merely add one more to the long list of popularized publications on the subject, but rather that it should be a purely scientific work offering a reliable and authoritative account of the state of our present knowledge concerning ancient man. Although necessarily restricted in volume, it gives a detailed account at least of all the more important discoveries, so that it might fitly serve as a general introduction to the subject for all who are interested in it, and also as a work of reference for the specialist. For this reason a bibliography of the most important literature on the subject is given for each chapter, and the extensive index includes the names of authors, places, and subjects.

It is a great satisfaction to me that this work is now to appear in English. It is true that in this language there are already several excellent works on the subject which have recently come from the pens of J. Sollas, R. Munro, and—last but not least—Henry Fairfield Osborn; yet none the



less I feel that the present translation has a peculiar claim to consideration that cannot be denied.

It will be seen on looking through this work that the accounts of Palæolithic discoveries in western and central Europe have been reduced to a minimum, for the reason that detailed and exhaustive descriptions of these have already been published. A much larger space proportionally is thus devoted to the discoveries in regard to Pleistocene man in the Iberian Peninsula, a subject of which no adequate account—from the standpoint of modern science—has yet been published. This is all the more to be deplored because Spain has proved to be of exceptional importance in throwing light upon the problems of the Pleistocene.

In this respect Chapter VI of the present volume, which is one of the longest, offers material that is both new and original, and the same is true of the greater part of Chapter VII, which deals with Palæolithic art, of which Spain possesses treasures that are indeed unique. A considerable part of Chapter X, especially that describing the Azilian and Asturian industries, is also new.

The text which served as a foundation for this new English edition has been so extensively revised and amplified that the edition cannot rank as a mere translation, but may rightly be termed a second and radically altered and improved edition of my Spanish book. The improvements are not limited to the text, but also include the illustrations. Several of these in the Spanish edition (Figures 45, 46, 92, 95, and Plate XI) were not so scientifically accurate as I desired, and have therefore been replaced by original figures of my own, besides which a number of new plates and figures have been added.

On account of the extra importance of Chapters VI and VII, numerals are inserted throughout the text of these two chapters which refer to explicit references given in the bibliographic lists belonging to them.

And so I present this latest work of mine to the public with the hope that it may find a welcome, not only from those scientists whose effort is devoted to this and kindred studies, but also from that ever increasing circle that delights to hear of the most ancient history of man.

I close with grateful acknowledgment to The Hispanic Society of America and in particular to its president, Mr. Archer M. Huntington, for their generous interest in bringing out this English edition of *Fossil Man in Spain*, which I trust may bring to the notice of a larger public the abundance and importance of the scientific treasures of Spain.

I am also deeply indebted to Professor Henry Fairfield Osborn, President of the American Museum of Natural History, New York, for the cordial and active interest that he has taken in the preparation and publication of this work, and to Miss Christine D. Matthew, who has accomplished the difficult and responsible work of translation, and wish to express to both my appreciation of their disinterested effort to further the progress of science in regard to fossil man.

HUGO OBERMAIER.

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*February, 1922.*







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## CHAPTER I

### TERTIARY MAN AND THE PROBLEM OF THE EOLITHS

*The Tertiary Period in Europe—Human remains of Tertiary age—Supposed traces of Tertiary man—Eoliths—Thenay—Otta—Cantal—Boncelles and the Fagnian industry—Kent and Saint-Prest—Classification of Pleistocene eoliths—Table of Eolithic industries—Geographic distribution of eoliths—Eolithic art—"Figure-stones"—Criticism of the eolithic theory—Action of running water—Eolithic deposits at Steinheim—Earth pressure—Eocene eoliths of Belle-Assise—Moraine débris—Wave action of the sea—Atmospheric influences—Frost—Heat—"Podolitos"—Eoliths used by existing savages—Objections presented by palæontology—Conclusions.*

THE Tertiary Period is divided into four epochs. Two of these, Eocene and Oligocene, are considered as Early Tertiary or Palæogene; the other two, Miocene and Pliocene, as Late Tertiary or Neogene. During the Palæogene Europe enjoyed a most excellent climate; in fact, the south of this continent during the Eocene was bathed by a tropic sea. The Baltic district, with its mild temperate climate, gave rise to magnificent forests of conifers, which extended there with unsurpassed vigor and fertility, and from which, to-day, we derive that fossil resin known as amber. The higher mammals, attaining a maximum of fecundity, spread rapidly over the entire continent, dominating all other animal life. Meanwhile huge mountain ranges arose in Europe and at the same time great continental areas were submerged in the ocean.

Thus passed the Palæogene; but with the dawn of the following Neogene the paradisaical climate that marked the earlier period already showed signs of change. It ceased to be uniform, and there ensued the varying seasons of the year that were destined to have such a preponderating influence in the biology of our planet. Nevertheless, the vegetation remained subtropical and flourished under the protection of a tranquil sky and a climate similar to that enjoyed by



certain parts of the Mediterranean region, as, for instance, Andalusia and southern Sicily. Broad-topped trees predominated, and the palms, like queens of this earthly paradise, proudly spread their fan-shaped leaves. This picturesque domain was overrun by great herds of enormous mastodons and rhinoceroses, which, together with the precursors of the horse, terrible carnivores, crocodiles, and monkeys, gave life to that sylvan scene.

The Tertiary Period ended with the Pliocene: the climate became more rigorous until effects of the first frosts were observable and, in consequence of this climatic change, the flora lost in splendor and became much like the present Mediterranean flora. But this change of climate, so noticeable in the valleys, unquestionably attained its full consequences in the condensation on the mountain crests, resulting in the formation of glaciers. Little by little these glaciers took possession of the mountain slopes and gradually but steadily reached their culmination in the First Glacial Stage, thus marking the commencement of the Quaternary Period.

So far the question whether or no man was witness of the course of events above recounted remains unanswered. A fact of such transcendent importance would be demonstrated beyond question by the discovery of human skeletons of Tertiary age, but up to the present time none of the supposed discoveries of this nature is sufficiently well proved to withstand any serious scientific investigation. Neither the "Eocene" skeleton of Delémont in Switzerland, nor the "Pliocene" remains of Colle del Vento near Savona, Liguria, nor those of Castenodolo near Brescia, nor those of Matera, all in Italy, have supplied any data for the solving of this interesting problem—being therefore relegated to oblivion, even as the Indian skull of Calaveras, California. Neither has it been possible to prove that the discoveries made by F. Ameghino in South America during the last fifteen years—*Diprothomo platensis*, *Tetraprothomo argentinus*, etc.—are of Tertiary age as claimed. (In regard to supposed human remains of Tertiary age in South America see Chapter IX.)

In view of these facts, then, it may be affirmed that up to the present time we have only indirect evidence of the



existence of Tertiary man—traces of human activity, believed to have been found in a number of different places, and consisting of the marks of cutting, hammering, or scratching. Such traces (chiefly fluted, engraved, or grooved) have been observed on the bones of animals and shells of molluscs in Tertiary deposits at Saint-Prest, Sansas, Pouancé, and Billy, France; in the Tertiary basin of Antwerp, Holland; at Monte Aperto near Siena, Italy; in North and South America; and in several other places. These remains would naturally consist of the refuse of kitchen middens and perhaps of primitive implements as well. But invariably such evidence as would confirm these theories is wholly lacking—such, for instance, as the discovery of unmistakable hearths or traces of fire—while, on the other hand, it is easy to explain the supposed traces of human activity as the result of natural causes—such, for example, as the gnawing or biting of animals, earth pressure, or the friction of coarse sand.

What has induced a great number of scientists, especially during the last fifteen years, to believe in the existence of Tertiary man is the discovery of certain stones of unusual shape—their peculiar form being attributed to the work of man at that time. These stones were named “eoliths,” that is to say, “stones belonging to the dawn of humanity.” As the acceptance of eoliths as authentic would establish many deductions and involve far-reaching consequences, the question has an irresistible and legitimate attraction.

The problem of the eoliths was first presented and developed in 1863 by the Abbé Louis Bourgeois,<sup>1</sup> rector of the seminary of Pontlevoy, Loire-et-Cher, France, who defended the theory with indefatigable vigor. In the above-mentioned department he discovered in fresh-water deposits of the Upper Oligocene near Thenay a great quantity of “flints shaped by human agency.” These flints might have been used to cut, bore, scrape, or file, and a number of them might have been exposed to fire, seeing that their surfaces generally are marked by fine cracks. On these grounds the Abbé Bourgeois supported the idea of human beings already living during the Palæogene, pursuing an industry in stone implements that had attained a considerable development,



and already acquainted with the use of fire. These discoveries attracted great attention in the scientific world and were accepted unconditionally by a number of scholars.

The controversy concerning Thenay did not subside until the year 1901, when L. Capitan and G. d'Ault du Mesnil showed how purely natural agencies might produce effects very similar to human handiwork, one of the most important being earth pressure above the brittle flint.

It was also at this time that the chemist, A. Carnot, asserted that atmospheric influences alone would be sufficient to account for the crackled surface of the flints which Bourgeois had taken for the effects of fire. Nevertheless, we feel obliged to add that in our opinion the crackling and reddish coloring of the Thenay flints really seem to support the hypothesis that these stones have actually been affected by fire. Only, we do not attribute this to human intervention, but believe it a result of some great conflagration of accidental origin, whereby a large area was fire-swept.

In 1871 Carlos Ribeiro announced the discovery of "worked" flints and quartzites at Otta, a Portuguese site of Upper Miocene age, in the valley of the Tagus.

With the beginning of the year 1877 came still further cause for discussion in the discovery of eoliths at Puy-Courny and other neighboring sites of Cantal, France, in which locality, resting upon corresponding strata of the Carboniferous, there are both fresh- and salt-water deposits of Oligocene age. Intervening in these sediments were found flint-bearing strata that doubtless afforded excellent material for the manufacture of the eoliths occurring in the superposed strata which consisted of calcareous deposits, fluvial sands, and gravel. In these strata were found the remains of flora and fauna—the latter including mastodons, rhinoceroses, primitive horses, and gazelles (*Dinotherium giganteum*, *Mastodon longirostris*, *Rhinoceros schleiermacheri*, *Hipparion gracile*, *Tragocerus amaltheus*, *Gazella perperita*) which characterize an Upper Miocene of mild climate.

Huge masses of basalt and trachyte conjoined with abundant deposits of ashes and volcanic mud bear witness to the colossal eruptions of the craters of Cantal. A part of these



lie below the Upper Miocene deposits already mentioned, the other part above them. In this complex mass—the chronology of which, however, is easily determined—are found in certain places the fragments of flint above referred to, especially in accumulations of fluvial gravel. This formation is overlaid by the Pliocene. According to M. Verworn (1905), the greater part of these flints have been used by human beings, and he classifies them in a series of flakes showing the typical phenomena of cleavage (plane of percussion, bulb of percussion), and also as hammers, scrapers, rasps, points, borers, etc.

Almost all the specimens show a patina more or less marked, and sometimes of separate colors, for which reason it has been called “successive patina.” The size of the “implements” varies from forms exceedingly minute to forms fifteen to twenty centimeters in diameter.

In each case Verworn has made what he calls “a critical diagnosis,” founded “upon a conscientious analysis, made upon the specimen itself, and upon the conditions of deposit”; founded also “upon the characteristic combination of various indications.” “The critical analysis of the given combination of indications” made him recognize a series of specimens “which were not open to any kind of objection,” because, according to his own conviction, “it is clearly proved that at the close of the Miocene there existed beings who worked flint.” Verworn ends his investigation of the Cantal discoveries with this conclusion: “In any case, a culture existed here which, from the character of its stone implements, as we see with astonishment, was by no means in its infancy, but presupposes a long period of evolution. From the character of the flint implements, I would venture to assert that in all probability the size and shape of the hand, and consequently of the rest of the body, were essentially like ours. For the most part the implements of various sizes fit the grasp of the modern hand with such perfect comfort that one might believe they had been made expressly to conform to it. Unquestionably the Miocene inhabitants of the Cantal were already in such an advanced state of evolution that without hesitation we should designate them by the term ‘man.’”



"If we take into account the very significant factor that the technique of flint-working remained unchanged from the close of the Miocene throughout the whole Pliocene and up to the Lower Quaternary, we are irresistibly drawn to the conclusion that cultural progress in those remote times was extremely slow. In consequence, the first glimmerings of culture must have developed far previous to the Upper Miocene—at least as far back as the Lower Tertiary." With this in mind, Verworn suggests the term "Archæolithic" for cultures extending from the Miocene to the Lower Quaternary, and that the term "Eolithic" should be restricted to those industries preceding that of Cantal.

Two years later, in 1907, the scientific world was astonished by the announcement of the discovery of pre-Miocene eoliths, and an extensive description of the same was given by A. Rutot. To this Belgian geologist, a leader among the present defenders of eoliths, we owe an infinite number of works all dealing with the same subject and of no little merit.

The site of the deposit containing the oldest eoliths found by Rutot is Boncelles, near Liège. There, lying above the Lower Devonian, is a layer about one meter thick, consisting of nodules of flint varying in size from small flakes up to masses nearly half a meter in diameter, the intervening spaces being filled with a sandy clay. This, together with the flint nodules, represents the remains of ancient chalk strata, probably the deposit of a shallow sea. Above this deposit lie marine sands of Oligocene age, fifteen meters in thickness. Rutot consequently assigns to the strata of this "deposit" a date "at least as old as the Middle Oligocene," from which—not admitting the probability of Eocene age—it must still be considered of earlier date than that of Thenay. To him it represents a "genuine Eolithic industry," which he has named Fagnian.

Rutot then unequivocally designated these Fagnian beings as Oligocene "men," saying that their measure of culture showed that the greater part of our modern implements must already have been known to them. The traces of their intelligence would appear to be as well established as they are interesting, and should be sufficient to impel us to the search of that still more remote horizon, the earliest age of

man. "The implements of Boncelles, of well-defined types and various uses," bear witness to their makers, who clearly were "Eolithic" men. Their hammer-stones are polyhedral forms that in many cases served as hatchet-knives, and were almost always adapted to the right hand. The bases or anvils on which were placed the pieces to be shaped are chipped



Fig. 1. "Fagnian" eoliths from Boncelles, Belgium. After A. Rutot.  
*One-half actual size.*

and scarred around the edges. There are also knives blunt on one side and exceedingly sharp on the other, scrapers that are double-edged and others with notched edges. In the collection of mixed types may be mentioned fine points, and also planing tools and borers (Figure 1).



Neither are there lacking eoliths from the close of the Tertiary, among which may be mentioned the eoliths from the chalk plateau of Kent in southern England, which belong to the Middle Pliocene. The exceedingly rich deposit at Saint-Prest, Eure-et-Loir, is of Upper Pliocene age. (For reasons given in Chapter III, we consider Saint-Prest to belong rather to the Early Quaternary.)

Especial interest attaches to the recent discovery by J. Reid Moir of eoliths embedded in and beneath the Red Crag of Suffolk, which must consequently be of Pliocene age. H. Breuil considers that they are very probably of human workmanship. The rich discovery site of Saint-Prest, Eure-et-Loir, France, might be considered contemporaneous, since some authorities hold it to be of Pliocene age. The present author, however, regards it as Early Pleistocene.

The close of the Eolithic period takes place in the Pleistocene. Rutot's series of Pleistocene cultures begins with the Reutelian, a name derived from Reutel, a small village belonging to the commune of Becelaere, east of Ypres. Then follows the Mafflian, so called from Maffle, near Ath, Henegau. Next comes the Mesvinian, named from Mesvin, a village in the neighborhood of Mons. Last of all comes the Strepyan, according to Rutot the final phase of the Eolithic, named from the town of Strépy in the valley of the Haine, Belgium. The Pleistocene eoliths differ in no particular from their Tertiary precursors. As regards their geologic and stratigraphic interpretation, it is not wholly free from objections, for in the Mesvinian, at least, are found implements worked and shaped by the hand of man. So much is this the case that Rutot himself has recognized the Mesvinian and Strepyan as "transitional phases" toward the true Palæolithic.

According to this, the Eolithic period, in the view of Rutot and his followers, is composed of the following phases:<sup>2</sup>

## II. EARLY QUATERNARY

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| 4. Phase of Strépy | (Strepyan)  | } in part "Palæolithic" |
| 3. Phase of Mesvin | (Mesvinian) |                         |
| 2. Phase of Maffle | (Mafflian)  |                         |
| 1. Phase of Reutel | (Reutelian) |                         |

## I. TERTIARY

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|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 5. Phase of Saint-Prest | (Saint-Prestian) | Upper Pliocene   |
| 4. Phase of Kent        | (Kentian)        | Middle Pliocene  |
| 3. Phase of Cantal      | (Cantalian)      | Upper Miocene    |
| 2. Phase of Thenay      | (Thenayan)       | Upper Oligocene  |
| 1. Phase of Boncelles   | (Fagnian)        | Middle Oligocene |

Eoliths have been found not only in the Iberian Peninsula, in England, France, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Austria, and Italy; but also in northern and southern Africa; in India, especially in the Upper Miocene of Burma; in South America; and in Australia. The greater part of these discoveries occurred in accumulations of gravel.

The "Eolithophiles" or partisans of the eolithic theory—among whom are Abbott, F. Ameghino, M. Antón, Blanckenhorn, Bonnett, Bourgeois, Bracht, Capitan, W. Freudenberg, Hahne, Harrison, Johnson, Klaatsch, Krause, Lankester, MacCurdy, Menzel, G. and A. de Mortillet, de Munck, Nötling, Ribeiro, Rutot, Schweinfurth, Sergi, Verworn, and others—were content, for the most part, to accept them simply as primitive industries of the Tertiary and Early Quaternary.

But some—among them Boucher de Perthes, Dharvent, Newton, Thioullén, and J. R. Moir—went further, and proclaimed the existence of Eolithic ornament and art. According to them, the stony alluvial deposits afforded not only "geometric" stones of the most varied forms, but even perforated pebbles for use as pendants and actual works of "glyptic art." Thioullén called these stones "figure-stones" ("pierres-figures"; German, Figuren-Steine), including in this classification nodules of flint showing accidental resemblance to figures, either human or animal. Thioullén supposes that primitive man may have completed the work of chance, modifying it to suit himself by means of flaking and retouching until he succeeded in producing a figurine relatively true in outline. He further supposes that these figure-stones were used as fetiches or idols. From these proceedings there resulted flints resembling human heads and masks, sometimes also skulls and other separate members of the human body, as well as other forms, such as heads of



monkeys, carnivores, and horses, figures of birds and their embryos, oxen, toads, fishes, seals, and hippopotamuses.

Rutot himself was greatly astonished to learn of forms of dogs, horses, and birds from the Miocene gravels of Cantal, for these animals belong to a fauna that does not correspond with the Tertiary fauna of these sites. The bewilderment of the Belgian scientist is natural; nevertheless, these extravagances were no more than the ultimate consequence of his own principle of "continuous selection."

From the time when the eolithic theory first aroused the interest of the scientific world, objections began to be raised against its acceptance. Thereupon, A. Rutot and his followers—geologists, archæologists, and palæontologists—weighed the *pro* and *contra* of the question with much greater interest than before. There can be no doubt that one of the most fortunate results of the controversy which centered on the problem of the eoliths was greatly to augment the thoroughness of critical investigation. A great number of "Eolithophobe" investigators—such as d'Acy, Arcelin, Boule, Breuil, van den Broek, Cartailhac, P. Choffat, Commont, Cumont, W. Boyd Dawkins, Déchelette, Evans, Hamy, Harvard, M. and R. Hörnes, Howorth, Lapparent, Laville, Mayet, Meunier, Obermaier, Ranke, Sarasin, R. R. Schmidt, Sollas, Vilanova, Virchow, S. H. Warren, Wernert, Wiegers—espoused the negative side and expressed views unfavorable to the eolithic theory, based on scientific considerations of weighty import.

Since it had been observed that, on the one hand, the great majority of eoliths occurred in places where large deposits of their essential material, flint, were found; and, on the other hand, that their presence almost always coincided with fluvial formations due to the action of running water; it was, therefore, most reasonable to suppose that there might be a causal relation between these shattered petrous formations and the action of swift-running water. Thence it came that, together with A. Laville, M. Boule, and E. Cartailhac, the present writer eagerly desired an opportunity to observe the action of swift-running water upon masses of flint.

The chance to make this interesting investigation came in 1905, at the chalk mills of Guerville, in the neighborhood of



Mantes and close to the Seine. These mills consist of tanks filled with water, in which the lumps of chalk with flint nodules embedded in them are rapidly rotated. In order to separate these nodules from the chalk and to pulverize the latter, chalk-lumps and water are subjected by means of turbines to a centrifugal motion with a velocity of about four meters per second. At the risk of being tedious we may add that before commencing the experiment every factor that could lead to error in the conclusions was eliminated, and especial care was taken that the lumps of chalk placed in the tanks should be intact and not subjected to the slightest artificial modification.

On carefully examining the flint fragments resulting from the operation of pulverizing the chalk, we found ourselves confronted with typical eoliths, strikingly similar to those found in alluvial river deposits. The eoliths produced by the chalk mills, equally with those found in river deposits, showed forms with either partial or entire retouch around the edges, notched edges more or less deeply incurved, specimens that might be classed as scrapers, burins, and even planing tools. The resemblance between the natural and the artificial eoliths is so close that it even includes the exceptional and irregular forms.

Finally, we noted at Mantes certain sharp-edged types, and others in which the edge had been completely worn away. The sharp-edged types resulted after remaining in the mill for from eight to ten hours, the others after a longer time in the water. L. Capitan, who at that time was a vigorous advocate of the eolithic theory and who, himself, had more than sufficient cause to give especial attention to this subject, did not hesitate to recognize "the striking similarity" of the specimens produced at Mantes to the eoliths found in alluvial deposits. No great effort, therefore, was required to refute the objections that were raised, the more so that at this time a deposit of eoliths was discovered at Steinheim in the valley of Stuben, Würtemberg, by P. Wernert and R. R. Schmidt. In this case the accumulation of eoliths belonged apparently to the Middle Quaternary.

"We are able to show at the site itself how the fragments of flint were borne along by the stream in the principal



valley and suddenly drawn into whirlpools caused by the inflow of a tributary stream. By this means the flints were subjected to a strong rotary movement which, however, was limited and intermittent in action, and therefore did not result in such continuous wearing away as would transform the flints into rounded pebbles." Rutot himself, who visited the site in 1911, wrote regarding it: "Here there can be no possible doubt: these are 'pseudo-eoliths.'"

The flooding of small streams, quite as often due to violent storms as to a long-continued thaw, is a matter of common observation. Great floods due to tempests may have caused the formation of the Tertiary eoliths; and the inundations resulting from thaws during the Glacial Epoch may have been responsible for the formation of many Quaternary eoliths—always bearing in mind that, as at present, so also in times past, the same causes under the same conditions must always produce the same effects.

Another cause contributing to the formation of eoliths, aside from the effects of swift-flowing water on the flints as described above, is earth pressure. A. Arcelin had already made mention of this phenomenon in 1885, and the present author has repeatedly had occasion to note the effect of vertical and oblique earth pressure on the flints of several distinct strata. These opinions have lately been amply verified through the investigations of H. Breuil in Clermont, Oise.

Near here, at the gravel pit of Belle-Assise, is found the chalk which serves as a stratigraphic base. Above the chalk is a clayey deposit in which are found abundant nodules of flint interspersed with strata of sand and coarse gravel. This deposit was the one under investigation. Above it there lay a heavy deposit of Bracheux sand, belonging to the Thanetian or basal Eocene. A stratigraphic examination proved that flints from the lowest strata must date at least from the Lower Eocene. Above the Thanetian sands at Belle-Assise were deposits of coarse gravel, either Pliocene or Quaternary. A careful study of the flints from the deposit next above the chalk showed that many of them appeared to bear marks of "artificial workmanship." (Figure 2.)

Among them may be noted flints with pronounced patina,

in which the retouch has lost its sharpness, showing that the fractures must be very ancient; moreover, the greater part

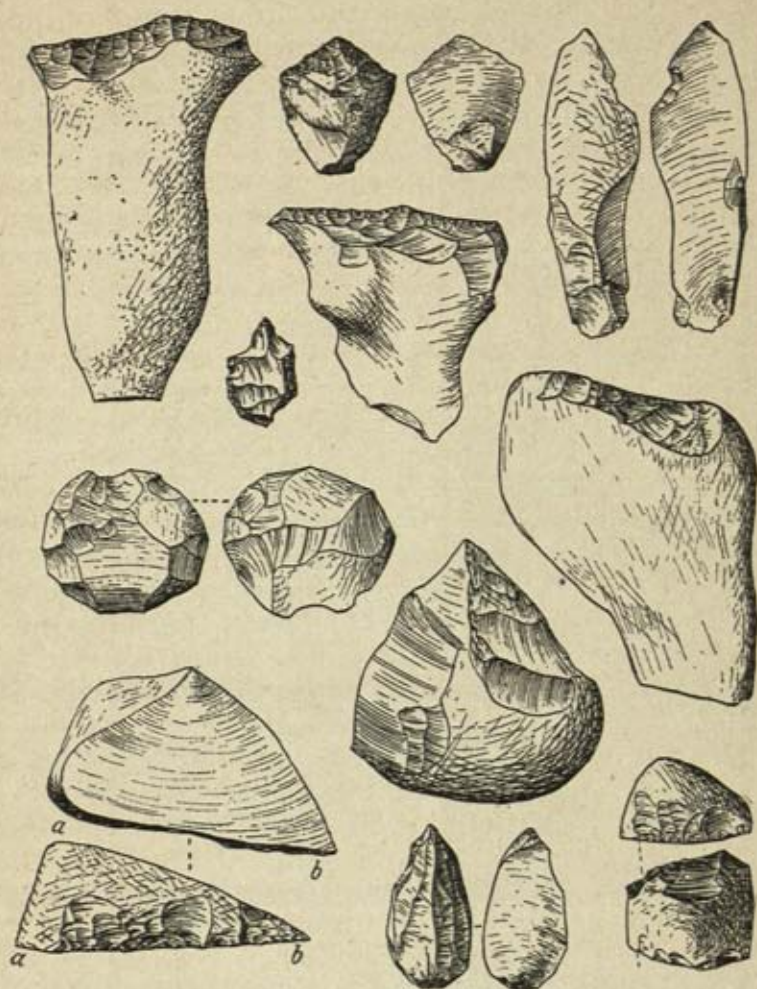


Fig. 2. Eocene eoliths from Clermont, Oise, France. After H. Breuil and J. Bouyssonie.

*Two-thirds actual size.*

of these flints, already fragmentary, have recently been further crumbled. Careful and detailed investigation has made it possible to establish all the phases of this natural



decomposition. Often the flakes and small chips resulting from pressure are still in contact with the nucleus, not falling apart from it until the moment of removal. The excellent quality and the variety shown in these Eolithic types is indeed surprising. There are actually nuclei with large bulbs of percussion, and well-defined planes and rings of percussion, chisels with their transverse cutting edge, flakes with fine notches, and also points, burins, and borers. There is a considerable number of scrapers and rasps of several distinct types, so characteristic that A. Rutot, on seeing the specimens but not being informed of their age, pronounced them Strepyan, that is, belonging to the dawn of the true Palæolithic.

The eoliths found at Duan near Brou, Eure-et-Loir, which have been described by Laville, are also considered to be of Eocene age. Others have been found at Lihus near Crèvecœur, Oise, and at Saint-Acheul and Ercheu, Somme, of which V. Commont justly said "that nobody would ever think of attributing them to a human being." As is known, M. Verworn considers the beginnings of human culture to be the "true eoliths," which date farther back than the Miocene. On returning to the Oligocene deposit at Boncelles, he remained convinced that at this place earth pressure was the sole cause of the specimens resembling various implements.

Verworn, notwithstanding, endeavored further to demonstrate the "human" origin of his eoliths from Cantal, but here he encountered the opposition of M. Boule, an authority upon that district, and of L. Mayet. H. Hahne, one of the most pronounced and bellicose of "Eolithophiles," expressed his final views thus: "An exhaustive study of the geology of the site, and especially of the local flint material and its reaction to percussion and pressure, has filled me with entire scepticism in regard to the eoliths of Cantal." (Palæo-ethnological Conference at Tübingen, 1911.) At this place the eoliths were produced by a combination of the action of water and of earth pressure, a combination also observed at other sites, such as Steinheim, Würtemberg. At this latter site patinas of different age have sometimes been found on a single specimen, and also on specimens belonging

to the same level. These fractures, some ancient and others more recent, prove that, after the fragments were deposited by the stream in their present place, they must have been subjected to the action of other forces which produced the more recent fractures and retouches.

In view of these facts, we need feel no surprise at the discovery of Eolithic formations in the débris of glacial moraines. Flints and other similar materials occur in these moraines, especially in northern Europe, which was formerly covered by glaciers. Here, besides the action of running water, other causes were operative, such as percussion, pressure, and friction, both from loose earth and from ice, agents which have produced the typical glacial grooves so frequently observed in the eoliths of northern Germany.

Along ancient and recent seacoasts another factor is responsible for the production of eoliths, namely, the action of heavy surf. To this natural cause G. Steinmann attributes the formation of most of the eoliths of Boncelles. Evans, Hardy, Boule, Romain, and others have again and again drawn attention to the existence of those pseudo-implements which even now are still made by the ocean. Worthy of notice are the glass eoliths investigated by P. Sarasin at Nice. These were formed from fragments of broken bottles, flung by the sea against the cliffs, and although some of the pieces were completely rounded there were others showing the typical forms and retouches of eoliths, and including scrapers, borers, and notched types.

Further, allowance must be made for the dominant rôle played by atmospheric conditions in the formation of eoliths. S. Meunier secured proof of this through the experiment of leaving nodules of flint exposed to frost throughout an entire winter. On later examination these nodules were found to be broken, and some of them presented a form and unilateral retouch identical with those characterizing the true eoliths. Meunier, in consequence, assigns fluvial erosion and the effect of severe frost as the principal causes of the existence of such immense masses of eoliths in Quaternary deposits.

Of all the causes contributory to the formation of eoliths, the only one which seems to have had little or no effect is



that of heat. It is well known that flint, which occurs in great masses throughout large areas of desert,—as, for example, in the desert of Libya,—becomes shattered in consequence of the abrupt transition from the terrible heat of day to the cold produced by its rapid irradiation during the night. But these fragments, which sometimes show a varying patina as a result, do not in the least resemble eoliths; on the contrary, they are distinguished from them by the lack of retouch. The only retouched specimens are found on the roads, where natural flakes, trodden underfoot by man and beast, are changed thus into pseudo-implements.

P. Sarasin has shown that these "podolitos" were produced by pedestrians, beasts of burden, cartwheels, etc. L. H. Fischer, the painter, assures me that for a number of years past he has been able to collect great quantities of "eoliths" in the neighborhood of a small spring in the desert of Heluan. On account of the frequent traces of gazelles, hyenas, and jackals that he has observed there, he attributes the formation of these eoliths to the footsteps of those animals. Doubtless the huge animals of the Tertiary and Quaternary were responsible for the formation of many eoliths.

From all the above it is evident that the number of causes contributory to the natural formation of eoliths is very great. Adherents of the theory that the eoliths were purposely shaped adduce in its support the fact that similar implements are used by certain savage tribes at the present time. This has been shown by A. de Quatrefages, Tylor, Johnston, A. Rutot, H. Klaatsch, and F. Nötling; and other authors have repeated and affirmed it in regard to Australians and Tasmanians. They pointed out that the stone implements of such tribes were quite similar to the Tertiary implements, and that the actual eoliths were, if possible, of still more primitive make. In this respect, we may here record the fact that even at the present day there are pygmy tribes which know nothing of working stone. But, on the other hand, the so frequently cited industry of the Australians and Tasmanians represents an unmistakable Mousterian, corresponding morphologically to a truly typical culture which in Europe belongs to the Quaternary. P. Sarasin



and Exsteens have rightly said that the culture of these savages has been belittled in a way both deliberate and unjust, in that attention has been drawn only to their most primitive implements, forgetting the fact that every primitive stone industry is accompanied by eolithic forms. This observation is neither new nor surprising, and could be proved true of every one of the industries of the Age of Stone in Europe. If, then, from the actual eoliths we should draw the conclusion that, for the sake of consistency, similar forms from the Tertiary must also be considered as artefacts, we should find ourselves forced to admit the existence of man in Oligocene and perhaps even Eocene times. For these Tertiary products are in no way less "human" than the corresponding modern forms, and must therefore presuppose similar cultural demands. Both Rutot in regard to Boncelles, and Verworn in regard to Cantal, urge the point that the flints from these sites—which really do conform most admirably to the human hand—"appear to have been made expressly for it." Well, the same is true of Belle-Assise!

Viewed from the standpoint of palæontology all this is untenable. The forms most closely related to the Eocene man of Clermont would be the *Pachylemuræ*! The oldest known fossil anthropomorph, the Oligocene *Propliopithecus*, was probably no larger than a baby. No one can seriously believe "that so small a creature could use such large stones as the eoliths. Neither could this be said of *Anthropodus*, which certainly did not attain the size of a twelve-year-old child. According to this, the theory of Pliocene eoliths must also be abandoned." (M. Schlosser.)

Moreover, the existence of these eoliths, which show no development throughout the different stages of the Tertiary and Lower Quaternary, extends back to an antiquity so remote that nothing is known of the contemporary existence of man, and that of anthropoids is doubtful. Furthermore, exactly similar eoliths have been distinguished in geologic deposits which also contain implements typical of well-developed Palæolithic cultures. A part of the eoliths of northern Germany certainly belong to the last glaciation, contemporary with the Mousterian and Early Aurignacian



industries. W. Deecke found them in the post-glacial deposits of Rügen and Bornholm, but with no proof whatever of their persistence throughout the Quaternary.

To believe in a sudden collapse of the culture of the Upper Palæolithic and also of the Neolithic is as unreasonable as to accept the existence of eoliths as artefacts showing no improvement or development from the Tertiary Period on.

This does not mean that pre-Palæolithic eoliths shaped by the hand of man do not exist. The well-developed industries of the Quaternary would logically lead one to infer preceding stages in which the shaping of the stones was effected simply by means of chipping away or retouching. Such industries may have been preceded by phases still more primitive. In consequence, a point is reached where it becomes exceedingly difficult to determine whether the stones owe their shape to nature or to man. The elimination of natural causes as factors in the formation of eoliths would require particular circumstances and conditions; as, for instance, the discovery of eoliths of flint or other material where they could not have originated naturally or been deposited by mechanical forces—in such a case the presence of eoliths could be attributed only to the agency of man. The matter would be sufficiently demonstrated if remains of kitchen refuse, fire hearths, or human skeletons were found in conjunction with eoliths. All this may happen sooner or later, but so far the result of careful and unprejudiced investigation goes no further than to prove that forces purely dynamic and geologic are sufficient satisfactorily to explain the natural and accidental formation of "eoliths." Consequently, the existence of Tertiary man cannot be proved as yet by any such evidence.





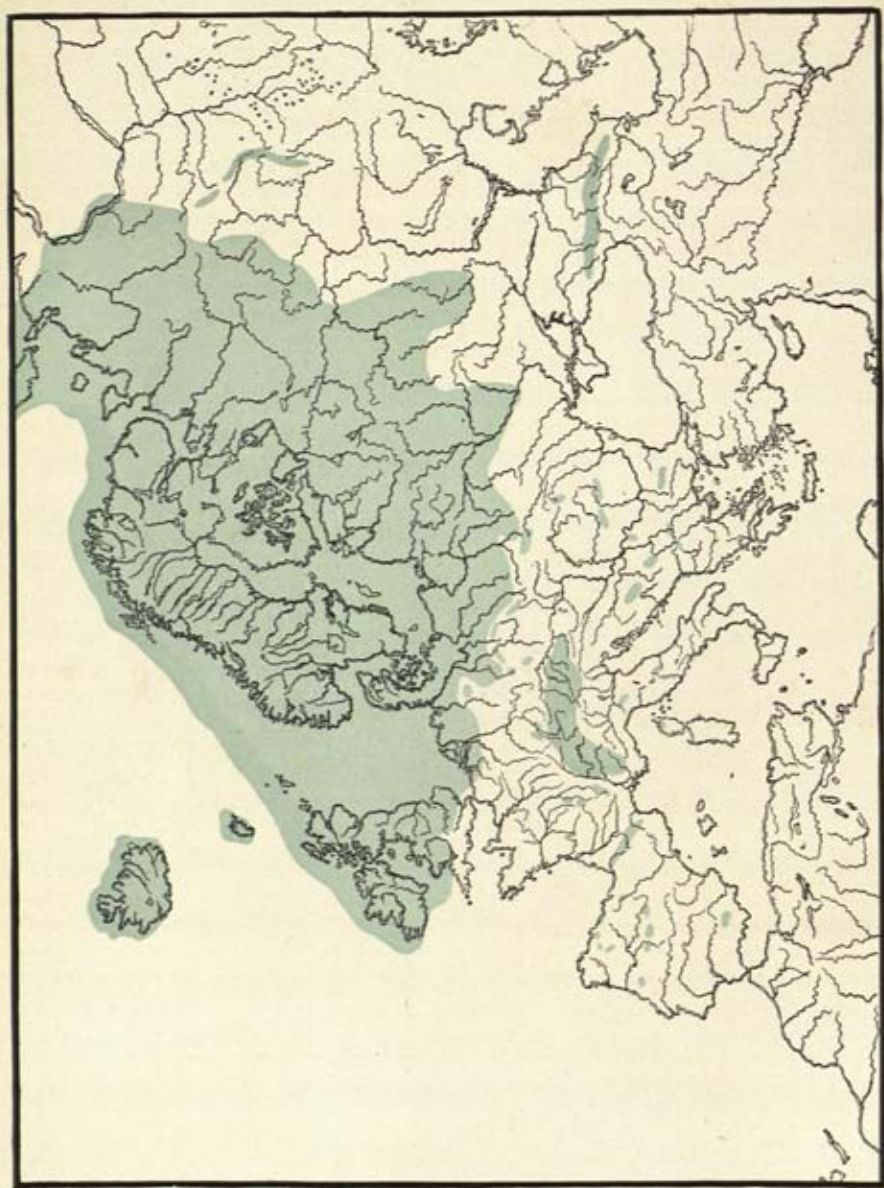


PLATE II

Europe during the maximum glaciation of the Pleistocene. Blue tint indicates the regions covered with ice.

## CHAPTER II

### THE GLACIAL EPOCH

*Introduction—The maximum glaciation of Europe—In the Alps—In northern Europe—Local centers of glaciation—Asia—North America—South America—Africa—Australia—Polyglaciation—Four glacial stages in the Alps—Four glacial stages in the Pyrenees—Glacial stages in northern Europe—Glacial stages in England—Glaciation in central Europe—Glacial stages in North and South America—Erosion and deposition due to glaciation—Lakes—Volcanoes of the Glacial Epoch—The “loess”—European coastlines during the Glacial Epoch—Conclusions.*

THE geologic time division extending from the close of the Tertiary Period to the beginning of the present Holocene or Recent Epoch is commonly known as the Glacial, Diluvial, or Pleistocene Epoch. Together with the Holocene, it forms the Quaternary Period. To this epoch belong numerous superficial deposits—beds of former glaciers, characteristic forms of the sub-glacial till (kames, eskers), huge mounds of lateral and terminal moraines, and extensive terraces of fluvio-glacial gravels (Plates IV, V, and VI). A careful study of these formations has led to the conclusion that large areas of our earth were formerly covered by enormous glaciers and ice-fields. On these grounds this time division has been aptly entitled the “Glacial Epoch.”

Since Europe was the principal theater of these glacial phenomena, and since they have been more exhaustively studied there than elsewhere, we will commence with that continent in considering the effects of the maximum glaciation.

The great ice-cap of the Alps has been studied with especial attention during the last thirty years, as will be realized by those familiar with the work of Penck and Brückner, *Die Alpen im Eiszeitalter*. At the beginning of the maximum glaciation the Rhone, the Aar, the Reuss, and the Linth were great rivers of ice, continually thrusting their frozen masses toward the Swiss “Midland” and little by



little augmenting its ice-fields. But the course of these glacial masses was obstructed by the barrier of the Swiss Jura, and they piled up before it. In this way an immense sea of ice was formed, many hundred meters in thickness. Moreover, on encountering the Jura barrier the ice mass divided, one branch flowing southward through the depression of Lake Geneva, and the other northward toward the gap of Basle.

Nevertheless, a part of the ice mass overflowed some of the lower peaks of the Swiss and French Jura in the form of glacial streams which west of the Jura were again united, their course extending from a distance some fifteen kilometers beyond Basle as far as Lyons. The principal branch of the Rhone glacier, diverted toward the southwest and reënforced by the Arve glacier, advanced as far as the present site of Lyons, extending its immense amphitheater from Mâcon in the north to Vienne in the south. Farther southward it united with the glacial complex of the Isère and the Durance which ended at Sisteron. The farthest traces of the glaciers of the Maritime Alps are found to the north of Saint-Martin Vesubie, some thirty kilometers from the Riviera, where palms now grow and flourish.

The Rhine glacier, enlarging and deploying toward the north, remained independent. Lake Constance must be considered as a depression of its terminal amphitheater. To one side the Iller glacier flowed to the northward of the Alps, its terminal moraines extending beyond Kaufbeuren.

East of the Iller glacier were the glaciers of the Lech and the Isar, which left erratic deposits within ten kilometers of Munich. The Inn glacier gave rise to an immense moraine girdle of which the central point is the present site of Rosenheim, while the present city of Salzburg is in the midst of the terminal moraines of the Salza glacier. The ice from all these glaciers, flowing northward, united in one mighty ice-field which covered a considerable part of the high plateau of Bavaria. East of these, at Traun, was another center of glaciation which reached its limit north of Gmunden. The glaciers of Steier and Enns extended as far as the present watering place of Hall. Farther eastward there were a large number of local centers of glaciation, such as



The Rosseg and Tschierwa glaciers in the Bernina Alps. Modern  
"valley glaciers" of Alpine type.



Glacier on the northern slope of the Maladetta group in the Spanish  
Pyrenees. A modern "hanging glacier" of Pyrenean type.

### PLATE III





the Schafberg, the Höllengebirge, the Traunstein, and the Sensengebirge.

On the southern slope of the Alps the glacial flow was greater than to the eastward. Nevertheless, there was no such complete glaciation over the plain south of the Alps as that which obtained to the north. The glacier of Ticino extended far, its terminal moraines forming the margin of Lake Maggiore. The Adda and Oglio glaciers reached, respectively, to the regions south of Lake Como and Lake Iseo. These glaciers were partly fed by snow from the passes of St. Gotthard and St. Bernard. The moraine amphitheaters found to the north of the Gulf of Venice are all of little importance, except one in the neighborhood of Udine. The glaciers to the eastward did not reach to the plain. This was true of the glaciers of the Save, which extended to Radmannsdorf above Krainburg; of the Drave, which extended as far as St. Paul, thirty-five kilometers from Klagenfurt; and of the Mur, which extended to Judenburg. A small center of glaciation may be recognized in the Steiner Alps.

Thus it is seen that during the maximum glaciation the Alps were covered by a great ice-cap. Nevertheless, their lofty peaks emerged above the ice and acted as barriers, diverting its flow in various directions and thus forming a number of glacial streams (Plate II).

In the north of Europe the ice-sheet was enormous. During its maximum extension wide regions lay buried beneath it. This was true of all Scandinavia, the greater part of England and Holland, almost all of northern Germany, and two-thirds of Russia. The divide of this great ice-sheet was the mountain range of northern Scandinavia, from which the ice extended on the one side toward the glacial sea, and on the other westward toward the Atlantic. This last caused the formation of immense ice-fields between Iceland, at that time entirely covered by the ice mass, and the British Isles together with the Faroe and Shetland Islands—ice-fields which constituted a serious obstruction to the natural discharge of the glacial flow from northern Europe. In this way a great ice barrier was formed in the North Sea.

In Great Britain, especially in the north, there was another center of glaciation which arose from the accumula-



tion of ice on the mountains of Scotland and northern England. This glaciation entirely covered the British Isles, excepting only the district south of the Thames. The ice-fields of Scandinavia and Scotland were united in a solid mass which extended to the continent and covered Holland and the region of the lower Rhine up to where the Ruhr flows into it. From there the margin of the ice has been traced eastward to the mountain ranges of central Germany north of the Harz Mountains, and thence it inclined southward to the region of the Saale. Turning northward, its traces are found at the foot of the Thüringer Wald, of the Erzgebirge, of the Riesengebirge, and of the Sudetes. Farther eastward, it follows the northern slope of the Carpathians, describing a huge S as it enters the Russian border. It then runs almost parallel to the Volga and to the Ural Mountains toward the Timan Mountains, until finally its traces are lost in the Arctic Ocean.

All of northern Europe was covered by a mass of ice, estimated at seventy million cubic kilometers, which in Scandinavia seems to have been two thousand meters thick. Neither the depression of the Baltic nor of the North Sea availed to halt its advance. It has been estimated that in Denmark it attained a thickness of one thousand meters, and even along the edges a thickness of several hundred meters, in spite of melting.

The two centers of glaciation above described were the largest, but by no means the only ones in Europe, where, in fact, a number of local glaciations of varying intensity and extent may be distinguished. Thus, in western Europe, we may mention the glaciations of the Serra da Estrella in Portugal, and of the Cantabrian Mountains, Central Cordilleras, Iberian Mountains, and Sierra Nevada, in Spain (Plates III-VII). In the Pyrenees the glaciation on the northern French side of the divide was much more severe than that on the Spanish side. (Chapter VI, geologic section.) Centers of glaciation in France were the Auvergne Mountains and the Cévennes.

In central Europe there were also important centers of glaciation—the Vosges Mountains, the Black Forest, and the Swiss Jura. The last-named had a number of local gla-



Moraine amphitheater of the Pleistocene glacier of Mulhacén, in the Sierra Nevada, Spain.



Bed of the Pleistocene glacier of Pinar, in the Sierra de Gredos, Spain. In the old channel of the ice there are now five lakes—"Las cinco Lagunas."

PLATE IV





ciations on its western slopes. In the Harz Mountains, the Fichtelgebirge, and the Bohemian Mountains the glaciation was less extensive, as also in the Erzgebirge, the Sudetes, and the Carpathians of the Transylvanian Alps. It has been shown that there was also a partial glaciation in the Balkans, chiefly in the ranges of Zelen Gora, Maglic, and Visocica in Bosnia Herzegovina, the Golija and Kopaonik Mountains in Servia, the Kunora Mountains in central Albania, the Pirin Mountains in Macedonia, and the Rila Mountains in eastern Rumelia.

In southern Europe, besides those already mentioned in Spain, there were some small glaciers in the Apennines of Italy, and in Corsica. During the Glacial Epoch the glaciers of the Caucasus were far larger than at present, and the Ural Mountains, which now have no glaciers, were then a center of glaciation which extended over the territory of Petschora.

In Asia the mountains of Olympus in Mysia, the mountains of Lebanon, Mount Ararat, Mount Demavend, and the mountains near Trebizond and Erzerum, all show traces of glaciation. Much greater in extent were the Pleistocene glaciers of the huge mountain ranges of central Asia, chief among them being the Himalayan and the Karakoram. The northern part of Siberia was entirely covered by a thick unbroken sheet of ice. In contrast to the "living" inland ice, this huge frozen mass remained stationary except only along the seacoasts and on the mountain slopes, and covered the vast Siberian tundras with "dead" ice which, in certain of their far northern regions, remains to the present day (Figure 3). This phenomenon is due to the peculiar climatic conditions caused by the continental situation of northern and eastern Asia, where the humidity is much less than in the oceanic continents of Europe and America. Quite recently unquestionable evidences of glaciation have been discovered in Japan.

In North America an area of twenty million square kilometers was covered by the ice-fields of the maximum glaciation. The center of this glaciation lay within the territory to the west and east of Hudson Bay. The terminal moraines of this mass of continental ice begin in the east near





Fig. 3. "Fossil" glacier on Liachov Island in the Arctic Ocean. After E. von Toll.

New York, and attain their southern limit where the Ohio flows into the Mississippi. From there the moraines follow the course of the Missouri until in the west, north of the Columbia River, they mark where the ice-fields joined with the glacier which descended from the Rocky Mountains. In Alaska the huge ice-cap united with the stationary ice which, in the Arctic latitudes, was the equivalent of the true glaciers. Following the Rocky Mountains southward beyond the limits of the great ice-sheet, evidences are found of a number of former local glaciations, diminishing in importance toward the south.

In South America north of the equator centers of glaciation are found in the mountain ranges of Santa Marta in Colombia, and the Sierra Nevada of Santa Maria in Venezuela. South of the equator the traces left by the Pleistocene glaciation are of great importance, especially in the mountain range of the Andes, throughout Chile and Argentina, and in Patagonia, including Tierra del Fuego. In the last-named country the terrestrial deposits and the character of the seacoast indicate an ancient glaciation of great extent.

As might be expected, traces of glaciation in Africa are rare, but nevertheless they can be found in the Atlas Mountains and the ranges of Abyssinia, the peaks of Kenia, Ruwenzori, and Kilimanjaro, and the high mountain ranges of the Transvaal.

The greatest heights in New South Wales and the Adelaide Mountains in Australia were formerly capped with ice, as also the heights of Tasmania and New Zealand.

If it is true that at the present time there are still a few investigators who believe in the theory of monoglaciation—that is to say, in a single uninterrupted glacial period during the Pleistocene Epoch—it is, nevertheless, clear that almost the entire scientific world has accepted polyglaciation. Adherents of the latter theory claim that during the Glacial or Pleistocene Epoch there was a series of successive glaciations, alternating with interglacial stages marked by a warm climate. Indeed, the combined evidence of geologic researches and of reports on the floras and faunas of



Europe and America compels the admission of polyglaciation as an irrefutable fact.

This is proved by the fact that in the high plains at the foot of the Alps there are found four distinct terraces of fluvio-glacial gravels, deposited in such a manner as to show that each one corresponds to a period of glacial deposit, while the erosion of each terrace corresponds to an interglacial period (Figure 4). The most recent deposits are quite



Fig. 4. Diagram showing the four fluvio-glacial terraces of river valleys on the northern borders of the Alps. (Compare Fig. 5.)

- T. I—terrace of the first glaciation.
- T. II—terrace of the second glaciation.
- T. III—terrace of the third glaciation.
- T. IV—terrace of the fourth glaciation.
- V—present river bed.

porous and are well preserved, while those belonging to the earlier Pleistocene are much weathered and metamorphosed. Only in the neighborhood of Munich are the deposits found in direct superposition, and that they are not in lateral gradations is owing to the accident of local geologic conditions. Near Deissenhofen may be seen the deposits of the latest glacial stage. These rest upon the gravels and moraines of the third glaciation, which are much weathered. Finally, beneath these are found the deposits of the second glaciation, the surface of which shows pockets of weathered material from six to eight meters deep, a phenomenon showing that the surface of these gravels was also formerly in direct contact with atmospheric influences, and for a long period.

Each of these four terraces still has its corresponding morainal amphitheaters (Figure 5). The moraines of the Upper Pleistocene are well preserved, while those of the Lower Pleistocene are partly obliterated and in places very much indurated. It is an important fact that, even before the formation of the more recent deposits, these

ancient gravels and moraines had already been transformed into breccia. Further, there can be no doubt that a considerable part of the more recent deposits was formed at the expense of the older gravels and moraines, as is proved by the presence of many blocks of morainal breccia in the Upper Pleistocene deposits.

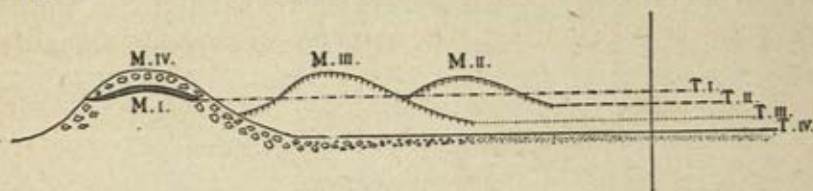


Fig. 5. Longitudinal section through the four moraine zones on the northern borders of the Alps. (Compare Fig. 4.)

- M. I—moraines of the first glaciation.
- M. II—moraines of the second glaciation.
- M. III—moraines of the third glaciation.
- M. IV—moraines of the fourth glaciation.
- T. I—T. IV: the fluvio-glacial terraces corresponding to these moraine zones.

On the ground of the existence of these four glacial complexes of different ages, and separated by long interglacial stages, Penck and Brückner accept four glacial stages which bear the names of four Alpine rivers and occur in the following order:

| <i>Glacial Stages</i>        | <i>Glacial deposits in the vicinity of the glaciated area</i>                  | <i>Difference in level from the present limits of perpetual snow</i> |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| <i>Recent Epoch</i>          |  |  |
| IV. Würm . . . . .           | Gravels of the fourth or lowest river terrace (Niederterrassenschotter)        | About -1200 m.   |
| <i>3. Interglacial Stage</i> |  |  |
| III. Riss . . . . .          | Gravels of the third river terrace (Hochterrassenschotter)                     | About -1300 m.   |
| <i>2. Interglacial Stage</i> |  |  |
| II. Mindel . . . . .         | Second layer of shotter—second river terrace (Jüngerer Deckenschotter)         | About -1300 m.   |
| <i>1. Interglacial Stage</i> |  |  |
| I. Günz . . . . .            | Upper layer of shotter—first or highest river terrace (Älterer Deckenschotter) | About -1200 m.   |



During the long post-glacial time the glaciers receded to their present limits. This recession was not absolutely uniform, but was characterized by a succession of oscillations, as may be seen in the following table:

| <i>Stages</i> | <i>Phases</i>                | <i>Difference in the level of<br/>perpetual snow from the<br/>present time</i> |
|---------------|------------------------------|--|
| Recent        |                              | About -00 m.   |
| Post-glacial  | Daun Retreat . . . . .       | About -300 m.  |
|               | Gschnitz Retreat . . . . .   | About -600 m.  |
|               | Bühl Advance . . . . .       | About -900 m.  |
|               | [Achen Retreat (?) . . . . . | About -700 m.]   |
| IV. Würm      | Maximum . . . . .            | About -1200 m.   |

The writer has found it possible to apply this Alpine classification to the French Pyrenees, where he has been able to demonstrate the existence of the same four fluvio-glacial terraces. At the present time the moraines of the third and fourth glaciations may still be observed south of Foix-sur-Ariège and near Lourdes.

It has not been possible, however, to classify definitely the glacial areas of north Germany, where the deposits are by no means so extensive as in the Alps, and are, moreover, rendered very difficult of interpretation on account of their interpenetration. Nevertheless, it may be affirmed that there were repeated glaciations in northern Germany, and it may safely be asserted that the maximum glaciation there coincided with the Mindel Glacial Stage in the Alpine region. Recent investigations have shown that the famous "Baltic" terminal moraine is due entirely to the first great advance of post-glacial times, corresponding to the Bühl advance in the Alpine region. Of late years C. Gagel, O. von Linstow, and many other geologists have declared themselves in favor of admitting the existence of three glacial stages, basing their theory on weighty arguments, inasmuch as an equivalent of the Günz Glacial Stage would seem to be lacking in northern Germany.

The chronology of geologic evolution in northern Europe during the Post-glacial Stage is given in Chapter X. There the retreat of the ice also took place by degrees, as shown in the following table:

| <i>Stages</i> | <i>Phases</i>                               |
|---------------|---|
| Recent        |   |
| Post-glacial  | 4th Retreat: Scandiglacial (or Finiglacial) |
|               | Central Swedish Halt                        |
|               | 3d Retreat: Gotiglacial                     |
|               | South Swedish Halt                          |
|               | 2d Retreat: Daniglacial                     |
|               | Baltic Advance                              |
|               | 1st Retreat: Germaniglacial                 |
| IV. Würm      |   |

James Geikie, who has devoted much study to a synthesis of the English glaciation, for a number of years past has accepted the theory of six successive glacial stages, as follows:

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| VI. Glacial Stage      | Upper Turbarian                             |
| 5th Interglacial Stage | Upper Forestian                             |
| V. Glacial Stage       | Lower Turbarian                             |
| 4th Interglacial Stage | Lower Forestian                             |
| IV. Glacial Stage      | Mecklenburgian                              |
| 3d Interglacial Stage  | Dürtenian (formerly known<br>as Neudeckian) |
| III. Glacial Stage     | Polonian                                    |
| 2d Interglacial Stage  | Tyrolean (formerly known<br>as Helvetian)   |
| II. Glacial Stage      | Saxonian                                    |
| 1st Interglacial Stage | Norfolkian                                  |
| I. Glacial Stage       | Scanian                                     |

Finally, in 1914, Geikie concluded that only the Scanian, Saxonian, Polonian, and Mecklenburgian represented true glacial stages, and that stages V and VI were no more than post-glacial oscillations.

But science encounters difficulties of the first magnitude when an attempt is made to determine the exact number of glaciations in mountains of moderate height in Europe. This is due to the fact that the evidences of glaciation there are less pronounced than in ranges of great altitude, and also to the fact that the latest glaciation destroyed in large measure the traces of preceding glaciations. Nevertheless, it has been possible to demonstrate the occurrence of several glaciations in the Carpathians (three stages) and also in the



Black Forest, the Balkans, the mountains of Corsica, and in the Caucasus.

Very divergent are the opinions obtaining in regard to the number of glacial stages in North America, for, while Chamberlin recognizes three, others raise the number to six or seven. Leverett believes that there also there were four principal glacial stages, basing his belief on the fact that the accumulation and, above all, the decomposition of the gravels and moraines in the New World took place under conditions and in proportions strikingly similar to those found in the Alps.

Leverett's four stages are as follows:

|                          |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| IV. Glacial Stage . . .  | Wisconsin |
| III. Glacial Stage . . . | Illinoian |
| II. Glacial Stage . . .  | Kansan    |
| I. Glacial Stage . . .   | Nebraskan |

Up to the present time the existence of two glaciations has been demonstrated in Ecuador, Argentina, and Patagonia.

It is easy to understand that the geologic events of the Glacial Epoch should have had far-reaching effects upon the earth's surface. The areas covered by ice and snow were greatly denuded by erosion. In the territory belonging to the great northern ice-fields of Europe and constituting their area of deposit there lie from six to seven hundred thousand cubic kilometers of gravels from the Scandinavian rocks; which presupposes a loss of some 2000 feet in the height of the Scandinavian range during the Glacial Epoch.

The great volumes of water which streamed from the border of the ice-fields during each glacial stage gave rise to a multitude of lakes in central and eastern Europe. The Sea of Azov was united with the Caspian, extending northward to Kazan and uniting with the Sea of Aral.

The number of active volcanoes in Europe during the Pleistocene was considerable, although not so great as during the Tertiary. Mention may be made of those in the Ægean Sea (Santorino and others), together with the Latial volcano in the Alban Mountains of Italy. Of the same age are

the Eifel Mountains in the middle Rhine districts, and also several in northern Bohemia and in Moravia. It has been shown that the volcanoes of the central plateau of France were also active during the Post-glacial Stage. (For Spain see Chapter VI, geologic section.)

The "loess" is a characteristic Pleistocene formation consisting of a deposit of fine wind-borne dust solidified by natural compression into a yellowish friable stone. According to Richthofen, E. Schumacher, W. A. Obrutchev, G. Merzbacher, W. Soergel, and others, it is formed chiefly of particles of quartz, combined, however, with other mineral constituents, among which limestone occurs in proportions which have been known to exceed 30 per cent. Near the surface of loess deposits the lime content is often eliminated by weathering, which results in the so-called "loess loam" formation.

In Europe the loess extends like an immense mantle over enormous areas which formerly were on the margin of the glaciated regions. Thus it is found in southern England, in France, in central and eastern Europe, along the line that marks the ancient limits of the northern ice-cap, and it also occurs as a broad isolated belt along the northern borders of the Pyrenees, while it completely encircles the ancient boundaries of the great Alpine glaciation (Figure 6).

This remarkable formation consists chiefly of fine material from the moraines and the products of infiltration from the same. We must therefore consider that the glaciated regions were the centers in which the material of the loess was prepared by mechanical and chemical disintegration. Above these ice-fields the aerial conditions formed at times an anticyclone from which violent winds blew down over the adjoining unglaciated regions with their sparse vegetation, carrying the loess dust over all the surrounding area, where, as a "foreign" formation, it was finally deposited.

The loess must therefore be considered as a formation of æolian origin and, for the most part, of glacial age. The period of deposition would begin toward the close of an interglacial stage when the glaciers were slowly augmenting and advancing; it would continue in increased measure



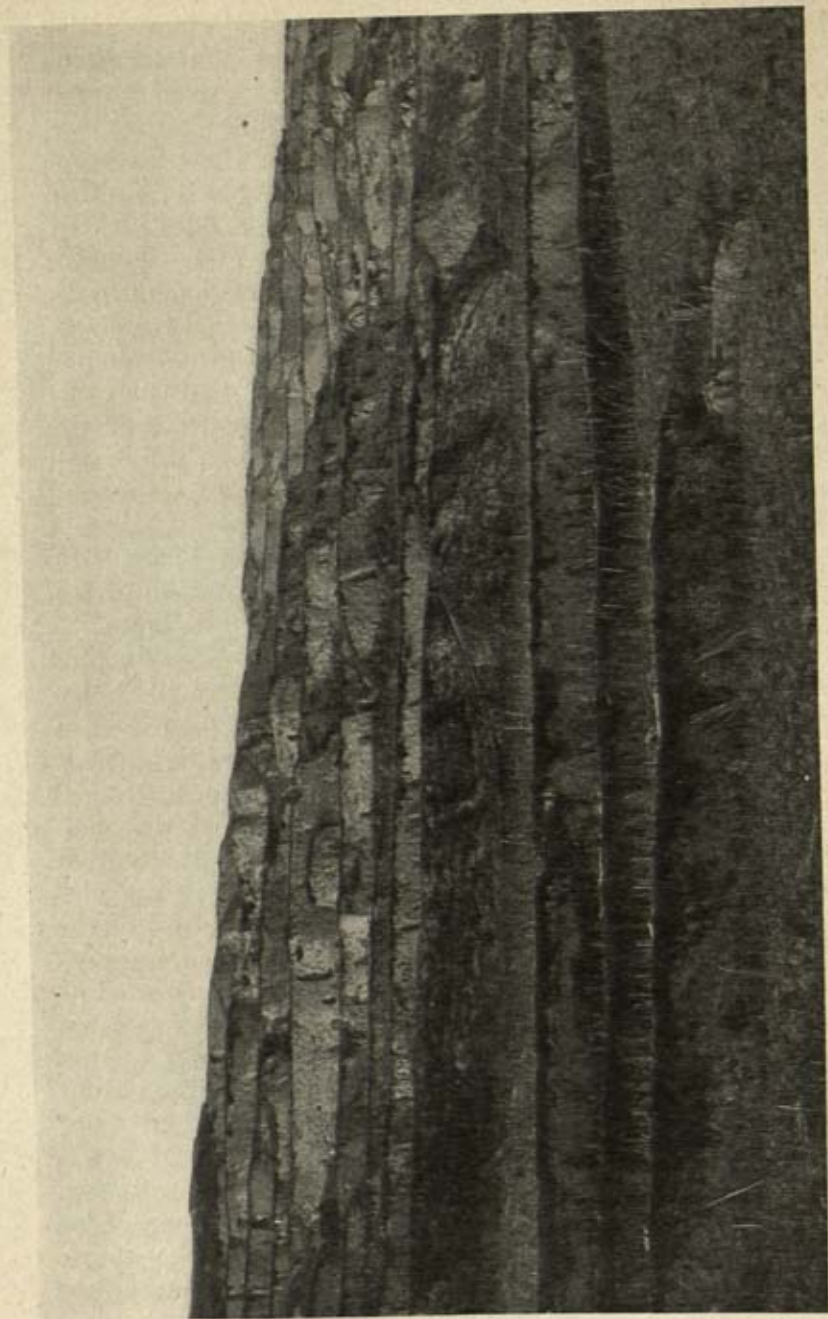


Fig. 6. Loess formation at Gegersdorf, Lower Austria. From a photograph by A. E. Forster.  
(The loess is artificially terraced.)

throughout the following glacial stage, and on into its phase of gradual final retreat. It is also quite probable that the process of formation was intermittent, being interrupted at times by seasons of great humidity.

That the loess, for the most part, indicates a cold steppe climate is indicated by the faunal remains that it contains. These consist of certain land molluscs such as *Helix hispida*, *Succinea oblonga*, and *Pupa muscorum*, which—together with the boreal-alpine *Sphyradium columella*—conclusively indicate a glacial temperature. Further confirmation is afforded by the associated remains of mammals, which include such typical inhabitants of a subarctic, continental steppe as the Saiga antelope (*Antilope saiga*), great jerboa (*Alactaga jaculus*), rufous spermophile (*Spermophilus rufescens*), steppe marmot (*Arctomys bobac*), and others, together with such tundra forms as the reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*) and musk ox (*Ovibos moschatus*).

But there are also certain loesses where remains are found—although exceedingly rare—of animals belonging to a warm fauna. Thus P. Wernert found in the “older loess” of Achenheim, near Strasbourg, Alsace, remains of Merck’s rhinoceros (*R. merckii*), beaver (*Castor fiber*), roe deer (*Cervus capreolus*), wild ox (*Bos*), and others, which unquestionably were in their original place of deposition and undisturbed. They go to show that loesses were sometimes developed even during interglacial times when a relatively mild climate prevailed.

The formation of such a widespread steppe region as is evidenced by the occurrence of loess in southern England and northwestern France implies that these countries could not then have experienced such “oceanic” conditions as at present. The Atlantic coast of northwestern Europe at that time extended, in all probability, much farther westward—possibly as far as the hundred-fathom line. The Strait of Dover did not exist, which explains how, during the Pleistocene, both cold and warm fauna were able to migrate into England from the continent (Figure 7).

From all this it follows that we must distinguish various Pleistocene loesses of widely differing age. In upper Austria, for instance, loess concretions are found which have



been redeposited in the outwash (*Schotter*) of the second glaciation, and which must therefore be assigned either to the first glaciation or to the following interglacial stage.



Fig. 7. Supposed continental extension of Europe at the beginning of the Pleistocene or Glacial Epoch. The dotted areas indicate parts of the ancient mainland now covered by the sea.

The cold loess deposits belonging to the close of the Glacial Epoch are naturally those which have been best preserved, and their chronologic order is further indicated by their containing cultural remains of Palæolithic man, which include artefacts belonging to Acheulean, Mousterian, Aurignacian, Solutrean, and Early Magdalenian industries.

The most recent loesses are evidently entirely post-glacial

and are chiefly confined to a narrow "intramorainal" belt—namely, to those districts bordering on the Bühl moraines and on the moraines of glacial retreat in the Baltic region.

Since the commencement of recent geologic time the loess of Europe is "fossil" and has not been appreciably augmented at any later date, because there is no longer any great, dry, glacial center to produce the conditions necessary to its formation. In Asia, on the other hand, it is still in course of formation, especially in China, where the great desert of Gobi now, as formerly, is the center from which the wind-borne dust is distributed.

The extensive geographic distribution of the loess brings us to a brief discussion of the interesting question of the continental extent of Europe during the Glacial Epoch. It is now well established that the Strait of Gibraltar was already open by the end of the Tertiary, giving access from the ocean to a Mediterranean Sea far more limited in extent than the present one. This conclusion is drawn from extensive palæontologic evidence which it seems well to recount in advance here.

It is known that the Balearic Isles developed an independent fauna of their own, showing that they were already isolated from the continent before the Glacial Epoch, and that they received no later faunal additions (pp. 151, 152). No less surprising is the distribution of two marine molluscs, *Cyprina islandica* and *Pecten islandicus*. These two species, which are still characteristic of the seas of northern Europe and are also typical of the ancient Yoldia Sea, appeared along the Cantabrian coast of Spain during the Post-glacial Stage, associated with a cold fauna characterized by the mammoth (*Elephas primigenius*) and the reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*, pp. 170, 173, 272, 273, 383). What is still more surprising is that *Cyprina islandica* also penetrated to the Mediterranean, where it has been found partly fossilized at Cape de Creus on the Catalonian coast, and completely fossilized in southern Italy, both in the northern Apennines and in Sicily. There it occurs in "Calabrian" and "Sicilian" deposits which are contemporary with the Lower Pleistocene, probably with the First and Second Glacial Stages. Consequently, there must have been at that



time clear passage to the open ocean to permit such a migration.

On the other hand, there still existed a number of land bridges which were gradually submerged during the Glacial Epoch. This is proved by the existence of Merck's rhinoceros (*R. merckii*) in the Isle of Elba, of a dwarf elephant in Sardinia, of the southern and straight-tusked elephants (*Elephas meridionalis* and *E. antiquus*) in Sicily, and of elephants of *E. antiquus* affinities in Malta, Crete, and Cyprus. The last island to be separated from the continent was England, which was connected with Europe until post-glacial times (Figure 7; p. 83; p. 420, Note 6).

Many theories—geologic, astronomic, and physical—have been advanced to explain the causes of the successive glaciations, but so far none has afforded a satisfactory interpretation. It is not probable that there was any very notable increase in humidity during the cold periods which lowered the perpetual snow limit to an extent much greater than the present snow line, although paralleling this last exactly. A lowering of the present average annual temperature from 6° to 7° C. would in itself be sufficient, without allowing for any increase in humidity, to produce in our own times another glacial epoch on the same scale and with the same regional differences that characterized the Glacial Epoch.

Without exception, in all the glaciated areas at the present time—alike in the northern and southern hemispheres, in the polar and equatorial regions—there may be observed an almost uniform and equal reduction of the present glaciers in comparison with those of the Glacial Epoch. Consequently it is very probable that the Pleistocene glaciations represent a phenomenon absolutely general in effect, which influenced our entire planet equally, without causing successive alternations of glaciation between the two hemispheres.

### CHAPTER III

## PLANTS AND ANIMALS OF THE GLACIAL EPOCH

*Geographic relations of the Iberian Peninsula—Connections with Africa and Europe—Chronologic table—Animal life in western Europe when man first appeared—Early Pleistocene fauna—Evidences of Tertiary man—Division between the Pliocene and Pleistocene—Warm and cold faunas—Heidelberg man—Second Glacial Stage—Second Interglacial Stage—Middle Pleistocene fauna—Primitive flint implements—Warm fauna of interglacial times—Third Glacial Stage—Late Pleistocene fauna—Flora of the interglacial stages—Climate of the Late Pleistocene—Climatic transitions of the Third Interglacial Stage—Fourth Glacial Stage—Period of the first cave men—Arctic-Alpine fauna—Distribution of the reindeer—Arctic molluscs—Post-glacial time—Disappearance of the Neanderthal race—Appearance of the Crô-Magnon race—Climate and fauna of the steppes—Fauna of the Third Glacial Stage—Arctic-Alpine flora of the glacial stages—Animals common both to warm and cold climates—Influence of Post-glacial environment on the development of the Crô-Magnon race—Extinction of Pleistocene species.*

WE depend very largely on our knowledge of the contiguous areas in Africa to the south and France to the north for our picture of life conditions in the Iberian Peninsula during the Glacial Epoch. The glaciers of the Pyrenees, of which we have recently spoken, descended far into the valleys to the north and to the south. But we have little direct evidence of the general refrigeration and period of bitterly cold weather with which the Glacial Epoch closed. We know that while the Alpine and the Scandinavian glaciers were threatening southern France and the whole of northern Europe in their successive periods of advance which are known as the First, Second, and Third Glacial Stages, life conditions were still so tolerable that men, both in France and in Spain, were dwelling in river valleys and resorting for protection to shelters on the sunny sides of cliffs and mountain slopes. It was only during the Fourth Glacial Stage that life in the open became impossible—at least during the winter months—and that the prehistoric period of the cave man began.



The first cave men were the low-browed Neanderthals—a race widespread over all of western Europe for a very long antecedent period. The second cave men were high-browed, large-brained Crô-Magnons, who came in at the beginning of the very long cold period known as Post-glacial Time.

Since it is most important to keep these climatic and time divisions clearly in mind, we may introduce this chapter by a simplified statement, as follows:

*Post-glacial Time.*

Closing phases of the Ice Age (otherwise known as the Glacial Epoch, Pleistocene, or Quaternary).

Final appearance of the *mammoth*, of the reindeer, and other mammals of cold northern type in France and in extreme northern Spain.

Final cave period. Western Europe inhabited by the Crô-Magnon race of men.

FOURTH GLACIAL STAGE.

Period of maximum refrigeration.

Mammoth and reindeer driven to the extreme south of France—the reindeer even penetrating into northern Spain.

First cave period. Men of the low-browed Neanderthal race.

*Third Interglacial Stage.*

Closing with cold dry phase of steppe climate and life.

Opening with warmer conditions, favorable to the last survivors of the African and Asiatic types of large game mammals.

Europe probably inhabited by ancestors of the Neanderthal race—first living in the open, and gradually retreating to the caverns.

THIRD GLACIAL STAGE.

Great glaciers in the Alps—also in Scandinavia, reaching Great Britain and covering all of northern Germany. Climate nevertheless tolerable in the river valleys of Spain, France, and Great Britain.

No evidence of cave life during this period.

*Second Interglacial Stage.*

A very long warm period, favorable to the large African-Asiatic mammals.

Ancestors of the Neanderthals probably living in the river valleys.

No evidence whatever of cave life.

#### SECOND GLACIAL STAGE.

Scandinavian ice-fields closing the North Sea and reaching Great Britain. Extremely cold conditions in the North and Baltic seas, indicated by the presence of mammoth and reindeer on the northeastern coast of England. Great glaciers covering northern Germany and descending from the Alps.

##### *First Interglacial Stage.*

A period of temperate climate. African and Asiatic elephants and hippopotami roaming all over northern France, Germany, and southern England.

In Germany the Heidelberg man—a very remote ancestor of the Neanderthal man, attributed to this period<sup>2</sup>—is found on the stream Elsenz near Heidelberg, associated with remains of the Etruscan rhinoceros.

#### FIRST GLACIAL STAGE.

The least extensive—not reaching Great Britain, but extending into northern Germany across the Baltic Sea from Scandinavia, and also covering the Alps.

No evidence of widespread refrigeration or of profound change in the flora or fauna of Spain, France, or southern Britain.

##### *Pre-glacial Time.*

This period marks the transition from the close of the Age of Mammals to the beginning of the Age of Man. It is the close of the Tertiary and the beginning of the Quaternary, known to geologists as the Pliocene. The significant climatic feature is the very gradual approach of cooler conditions of climate all over northern Europe, which succeeded the long prevailing warm conditions of the Age of Mammals.

It is in this transition epoch that the first evidences of the flint industry of man are found on the eastern coast of Britain. This flint industry is known as the Foxhallian—a name derived from Foxhall, England—and constitutes the sole evidence we have at present of the existence of man during Pliocene time in western Europe, the most astonishing discovery of recent times.



*Animal Life in Western Europe when Man First Appeared in Pre-glacial Time.*

The Early Pleistocene fauna of some authors, or "post-Pliocene" group of others, corresponds in part to the pre-glacial phase, but is chiefly a fauna with Pliocene survivals.

Pliocene survivals in northern Italy, southern France, and southern England:

|                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Borson's mastodon               | <i>Mastodon borsoni</i>                |
| Short-jawed mastodon            | <i>Mastodon arvernensis</i>            |
| Tapir of Auvergne               | <i>Tapirus arvernensis</i>             |
| Hipparion (?), three-toed horse | <i>Hipparion</i> (?) (last appearance) |

Culminating phase of

|                     |                            |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Macaque             | <i>Macacus</i>             |
| Lion of Auvergne    | <i>Felis arvernensis</i>   |
| Hyena of Perrier    | <i>Hyæna perrieri</i>      |
| Etruscan rhinoceros | <i>Rhinoceros etruscus</i> |
| Etruscan bear       | <i>Ursus etruscus</i>      |

Appearance of

|                          |                                    |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Straight-tusked elephant | <i>Loxodonta antiqua</i>           |
| Southern elephant        | <i>Elephas meridionalis</i> (type) |
| Steno's horse            | <i>Equus stenorhis</i>             |
| Wild ox                  | <i>Bos</i> (also <i>Leptobos</i> ) |

This phase of life corresponds with E. Haug's phases of Villefranche and Saint-Prest, France; with the marine Calabrian of southern Italy, described by M. Gignoux; and with the two first phases of the Early Pleistocene according to E. Koken. Faunas typical of this group have been found at Val d'Arno, Italy; Crozas, near Vals, Haute-Loire, France; Perrier, near Issoire, Puy-de-Dôme, France; the Sands of Chagny, Saône-et-Loire, France; Saint-Prest, near Chartres, Eure-et-Loir, France; Norwich Crag, eastern England; and the Doveholes, near Buxton, Derbyshire, England.

Very recently a large bed of flints with evidences of fire has been found on the eastern coast of England near Norwich and beneath the Late Pliocene deposits known as the "Red Crag" and the "Norwich Crag." The authenticity of the flints as of human origin is disputed by some archæolo-

gists, but is accepted by others, including Louis Capitan, the veteran archæologist of France, and Henri Breuil, who is frequently quoted in these pages. This discovery of Foxhall is the first evidence we have of the existence of Tertiary man.

This was followed by the advent of the Glacial Epoch in Scandinavia and northern Germany and what is known as the First Glacial Stage in which both the Scandinavian and Alpine glaciers were formed, and there was a general lowering of temperature, especially in the north of Europe. This introduced the Quaternary or Pleistocene Epoch.

The Pleistocene Epoch was characterized chiefly by the appearance of a series of glacial stages. There is not the slightest ground for assigning the First Glacial Stage to the Pliocene, as advocated by M. Boule, M. Schlosser, W. Soergel, Boyd Dawkins, and others. On the contrary, the writer is entirely in agreement with E. Haug, E. Koken, A. Penck, and others, who contend that the beginning of the First Glacial Stage coincides with the beginning of the Pleistocene. This view is supported by weighty palæontologic evidence. A careful study of the faunas found in deposits belonging to the disputed boundary between Pliocene and Pleistocene shows that the Pliocene genera were gradually disappearing, while new types of Asiatic origin came to constitute the larger portion of the fauna. Among these new genera were the elephants and the primitive ancestral types of horse, ox, and bison. These new types appeared very suddenly, and their triumphant entry justifies a division between two geologic stages and serves to characterize a new epoch.

This glacial period was followed by a warmer interval known as the First Interglacial Stage. It would seem that part of the fauna of the Forest Bed of Cromer, England, belongs to the First Interglacial Stage. According to E. T. Newton the African hippopotamus, trogontherian mammoth, a species of saber-tooth tiger, Steno's horse (*Hippopotamus major*, *Elephas trogontherii*—not *E. meridionalis*, *Machairodus* sp., *Equus stenonis*), and others are found there, apparently with an intermixture of other faunal elements such as the wolverine (*Gulo luscus*), musk ox (*Ovibos*



*moschatus*), and others. The warm fauna agrees well with that of the Second Interglacial Stage, and consequently the cold elements would correspond to the following Third Glacial Stage. Of the same age, or perhaps still older, is the reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*) of Steinheim on the Murr, and the ancestral musk ox (*Præovibos priscus*) of Frankenhäusen in Thuringia. In the lower gravels of Süssenborn, near Weimar, from eight to ten meters below the surface, W. Soergel came upon remains of a species of reindeer related to the Scandinavian (*Rangifer* cfr. *tarandus*), which may probably be attributed to the Second Glacial Stage. These gravels were doubtless deposited previous to the maximum glaciation of Scandinavia, which covered that region with ice.

The reader should keep clearly in mind the marked distinction between animal life in the north of Europe at this time—especially in the latitude of the Forest Bed of Cromer, which is nearly fifty-three degrees north—where the reindeer, musk ox, woolly mammoth, and other cold northern types appear; and the south of Europe—namely, in Italy, southern France, and Spain, where the warm fauna flourished even throughout the First Glacial Stage of the north. It was only in the final period of the Ice Age that these northern animals reached the latitude of the Pyrenees, namely, forty-three degrees north.

#### *Heidelberg Man Appears during the First Interglacial Stage.*

The Piltdown or Dawn Man of England is of a somewhat uncertain geologic age. It may be very old—of Tertiary or early Pleistocene time—and it furnishes additional proof that human beings had reached western Europe by the latter part of the Tertiary or the beginning of Quaternary time.

With the Heidelberg man the case is different. In the author's opinion<sup>2</sup> the Heidelberg man—known only from the well-preserved lower jaw, which closely resembles that of the well-known Neanderthal race of a later period—was contemporaneous with the First Interglacial Stage. The jaw was found associated with remains of a number of quadru-

pedes in a stage of evolution corresponding with First or Second Interglacial time.

The Second Glacial Stage was far more extensive than the first, since the Scandinavian glacier crossed the North Sea and also covered a large part of northern Germany. The Alpine glaciers descended to greater distances—in fact, this is the first really great glaciation of Europe. It was, however, followed by a recession of the ice and another long period of temperate climate which is known as the Second Interglacial Stage.

The animals belong to the "Cromer" phase of E. Haug. Faunas typical of this group have been found at Mosbach, near Wiesbaden, Germany; the Sands of Mauer, near Heidelberg, Baden, Germany; Süssenborn, near Weimar, Germany; Steinheim on the Murr, Württemberg, Germany; Abbeville, Somme, France; Solilhac, near Blanzac, Haute-Loire, France; and at Montmaurin, Es-Taliens, and Montsaunés in southern France. The middle Pleistocene fauna of the Second Interglacial Stage—with the trogontherian mammoth (*Elephas trogontherii*)—is characterized as follows:

Final phase and extinction of

|                     |                            |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Etruscan rhinoceros | <i>Rhinoceros etruscus</i> |
| Steno's horse       | <i>Equus stenorhis</i>     |
| Hyena of Auvergne   | <i>Hyæna arvernensis</i>   |
| Bear of Auvergne    | <i>Ursus arvernensis</i>   |
| Saber-tooth tiger   | <i>Machairodus</i>         |
| Macaque             | <i>Macacus</i>             |

Culminating phase of

|                       |                             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Trogontherian mammoth | <i>Elephas trogontherii</i> |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|

Earliest stage of

|                          |                           |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Straight-tusked elephant | <i>Elephas antiquus</i>   |
| Merck's rhinoceros       | <i>Rhinoceros merckii</i> |

First appearance of

|                 |                         |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Deninger's bear | <i>Ursus deningeri</i>  |
| Cave lion       | <i>Felis spelæa</i>     |
| Striped hyena   | <i>Hyæna striata</i>    |
| Giant deer      | <i>Cervus megaceros</i> |



According to some authors Heidelberg man lived at this time; according to others western Europe was inhabited by descendants of Heidelberg man which were ancestral to the coming Neanderthal race. Whatever tribes were living in western Europe at this time lived in the open and have left none of their fossilized remains by which we may recognize their relationships. The climate was still temperate, and there is no evidence whatever of the beginning of cave life. Man, however, becomes well known through his increasing and widespread flint industry, for—according to the leading archaeologists—it was during Second Interglacial time that man was living on the river terraces and fashioning the Pre-Chellean and Chellean flints. These flints are of very massive character and indicate that man was a courageous hunter of the wild game of every variety which abounded in every part of Spain, France, and southern England.

Convincing evidence of a warm temperate climate during the interglacial stages is afforded by the occurrence of certain warmth-loving molluscs, such as *Zonites acieformis*, *Paludina diluviana*, *Corbicula fluminalis*, and also by typical forms in the "Eem" fauna of northern Germany, which includes *Tapes aureus* var. *eemensis* Nordm., *Gastrana fragilis*, *Lucina divaricata*, and *Haminea navicula*.

The presence of mammals characteristic of a warm environment—monkeys, hippopotamuses, rhinoceroses, and hairless elephants—is further confirmation of the existence of a warm climate.

The First Interglacial Stage was apparently equally mild. The deposits at Tegelen in Limburg, Holland, the lignites found at Leffe in the Bergamasque Alps, Italy, and the gray clay of Durfort near the Sauve, Gard, France, probably all belong to the First Interglacial Stage. The fossilized remains of plants and animals found embedded in the white clay of the Borlezza ravine near Pianico, Italy, apparently belong to the Second Interglacial Stage.

The Third Glacial Stage witnessed great glaciers in the Alps and also in Scandinavia, reaching Great Britain and covering all of northern Germany. The climate, nevertheless, remained tolerable in the river valleys of Spain, France, and Great Britain, and there is still no evidence that the

primitive tribes inhabiting these countries were forced to retreat to caves. The period of the cave man had not yet begun.

The animal life on which man subsisted underwent a considerable transformation. The Etruscan rhinoceros, southern mammoth, and other large quadrupeds of First and Second Interglacial times disappeared and were replaced by the straight-tusked elephant (*Elephas antiquus*) and by Merck's rhinoceros, which we find pass gradually into a new fauna which still retained some of its southern elements when it gained some northern elements such as the giant deer.

The late Pleistocene fauna of the Third Interglacial Stage—late phase of the straight-tusked elephant—is characterized as follows:

Last appearance of

Straight-tusked elephant

Merck's rhinoceros

African hippopotamus

*Elephas antiquus*

*Rhinoceros merckii*

*Hippopotamus major*

Frequent occurrence of

Cave bear

Cave lion

Cave hyena

Giant deer

*Ursus spelæus*

*Felis spelæa*

*Hyæna spelæa*

*Cervus megaceros*

This phase corresponds to the "Chellean" of E. Haug—according to him, the Third Interglacial Stage. From their stratigraphy there can be no doubt that the following deposits in Switzerland belong to the Third Interglacial Stage: Flurlingen, near Schaffhausen, with remains of Merck's rhinoceros; and the lignites of Dürnten in the canton of Zurich, with remains of the straight-tusked elephant and Merck's rhinoceros, which were covered by moraines of the Fourth Glacial Stage. Faunas typical of this group are also found in the "Grotte du Prince," in Italy near Mentone; the tuffs of Burgtonna and Graefentonna, near Gotha, Germany; the "Chellean" gravels of the Seine, Paris; and the "Chellean" gravels of the Thames Valley, England.

Climatic changes are indicated by interglacial deposits



characteristic of warm forest phases, such as are typically represented by the flora of Celle-sous-Moret and Hötting (p. 380). At these times the climate was much warmer than at present, but, nevertheless, there is no very strong reason to assume that all of Europe was then covered by an impene-



Fig. 8. Fossil plants from the breccia of Hötting, near Innsbrück, Tyrol. After R. von Wettstein. 1 Pontic rhododendron (*R. ponticum*). 2 Box (*Buxus sempervirens*). 3 Scotch fir (*Pinus sylvestris*) and yew (*Taxus baccata*).

trable forest. The forests alternated with regions of bush and meadow, and it is probable that warm steppes extended over large areas.

Of great importance are the discoveries in the breccia of Hötting, near Innsbrück in the Tyrol. This site is 1200

meters above sea level, on the left bank of the Inn. The breccia lies above basal moraines belonging to the second, or, more probably, to the third glaciation. Above it lies a moraine of the Fourth Glacial Stage. R. von Wettstein has enumerated forty-one species of plants occurring in this deposit—among them *Rhamnus hoettingensis*, a new species of buckthorn related most closely to *Rhamnus latifolia* of the Azores and Canary Islands; *Rhododendrum ponticum*, the Pontic Alpine rose which now grows wild in southwestern Spain, Pontus, and the Caucasus, where the limit of perpetual snow is over 3000 meters above sea level; and other plants now found in southern and southeastern Europe as well as in the forest zone of Colcida, where their highest limit is 1800 meters below the snow line. None of these species is now found in the neighborhood of Hötting. There are also other species in the breccia which still exist not far from Hötting but are no longer found at an altitude of 1200 meters. Such a combination of plants indicates that the mean annual temperature at that time must have been from 2° to 3° Centigrade warmer than at present, from which it may be inferred that the snow line was some 400 meters higher. The small glaciers then existing were found only on the loftiest summits of the central district, the Alps being then a forested region, and while the flora of their northern slopes was Baltic in character, that of the southern slopes showed Illyrian features. In the Late Pleistocene of central Europe an interesting climatic cycle is clearly recognizable, as follows:

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| IV. Glacial Stage     | Tundra, in part with stunted Arctic forests.                     |
| 3d Interglacial Stage |  |
| Late                  | Loess steppes, with scanty growth of trees.                      |
| Middle                | Forests of deciduous trees with climate milder than the present. |
| Early                 | Loess steppes, with scanty growth of trees.                      |
| III. Glacial Stage    | Tundra, in part with stunted Arctic forests.                     |



The outstanding feature of Third Interglacial time—both to the climatologist and to the anthropologist—is the clear demarcation of a succession of climatic phases which indicate that Europe was gradually deforested, that the forests became more scanty and were interspersed with steppes and open plains, and that this period was followed by increasing cold with cold winds and the gradual appearance of a cold steppe climate with violent dust storms and open conditions of life. These climatic transitions certainly exerted a very great influence on the evolution of man, as especially observed in a succession of deposits such as those of Celle-sous-Moret, which closes with indications of a cold steppe climate and tuff deposits in which a new type of flint industry occurs, known as the Acheulean.

The interglacial vegetation was characterized by a deciduous forest flora, as evidenced by a number of deposits. This flora indicates a climate milder than the present. At Celle-sous-Moret, Seine-et-Marne, lying above Pleistocene gravels containing remains of the straight-tusked elephant (*Elephas antiquus*), there is a tuff deposit with fossilized remains of fig, box, Canary laurel, and Judas tree (*Ficus carica*, *Buxus sempervirens*, *Laurus canariensis*, and *Cercis siliquastrum*). The presence of these indicates a climate both warm and humid, and a flora Dalmatian in character. The mean annual temperature of the Seine Basin was then from 15° to 16° C., whereas now it is not over 11° (Munier-Chalmas). The upper levels of this "warm" deposit at Celle-sous-Moret are composed of tuffs with flora indicating a cooler climate associated with an Acheulean industry.

The fossil flora of the steppes shows a near relationship to that of the tundras, the transition from one to the other being hardly perceptible. As may be seen at the present time in Asia, the winter of the steppes is very severe, with many windstorms, conducing largely to the denudation of their surface. The summer is short, but comparatively warm, and in consequence there is an abundant growth of grass and shrubs. Similar conditions doubtless prevailed in Europe during the formation of the Pleistocene loess, and sparse growths of stunted trees bore witness to their inclemency. In the deposits of the "Mammoth Hunters" at

Gobelsburg, Austria, pieces of carbonized wood, identified as *Pinus*, were found embedded in the loess. From a study of these pieces it was concluded that the annual growth of the Pleistocene *Pinus* was but a tenth of that of pines in the same region at the present time.

It must be borne in mind that what has been said of tundra and steppe conditions applies only to central Europe and the northern part of western Europe. Conditions in southern Europe, including the southern slope of the Alps, were quite different. On the northern Alpine slopes there was a scanty growth of conifers which extended more than 500 meters above sea level. On the southern slopes of the Alps the present limit of perpetual snow is 3000 meters, while during the Glacial Epoch it stood at 1800 meters. Such conditions would bring the tree line to a height of 900 meters above sea level, so that in these parts long glacial streams might have advanced through a veritable forest region. Still milder conditions prevailed in the Mediterranean zone, strictly speaking.

*Close of Third Interglacial Stage and Duration of Fourth Glacial Stage. Period of the First Cave Men of Neanderthal Race.*

Cold conditions of climate are now settling down on all of northern Europe, and for the first time the warm temperate forms entirely disappear and are replaced by the new wave of northern animal life known as the Arctic tundra fauna—animals which doubtless bordered the tundras and ice-fields of all the preceding glaciations. The ice-fields of the fourth glaciation were more limited than those of the third and second—they did not reach Great Britain—yet the fall in temperature was far more severe and widespread. This cold wave lasted several thousand years, reaching as far south as the Pyrenees and beyond, which explains the first period of cave life. Everywhere men of Neanderthal race resorted to the caverns for shelter.

The most distinctive mammals of the period were the woolly mammoth (*Elephas primigenius*) and the reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*).



We have seen that the tundra was uniformly carpeted with grass and shrubs and occasional sparse and stunted forests which, during each glacial stage, covered those areas of central and western Europe that remained free of ice. In view of the scanty resources of the tundra, the number of animals living there was large; and, since a fauna must depend very closely upon the flora and the climate, it is not

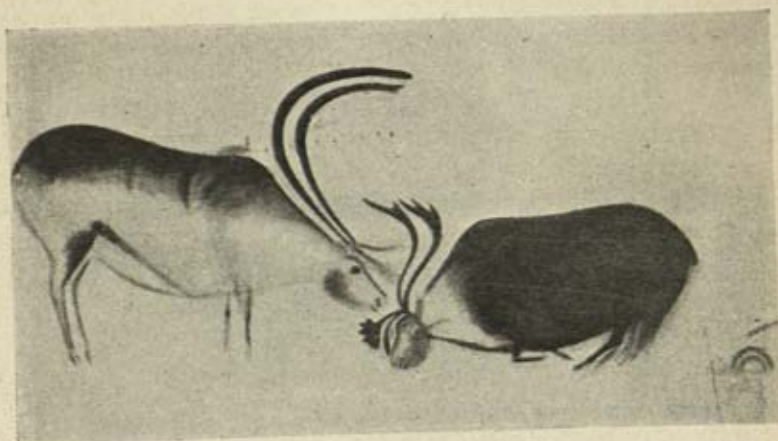


Fig. 9. Reindeer—a polychrome painting on the rock wall of the cavern of Font-de-Gaume, Dordogne, France. After H. Breuil.  
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surprising to find a typically Arctic circumpolar fauna in an environment with an equally Arctic flora. The fauna of central Europe during the Glacial Epoch was characterized by two "cold" groups, closely related to each other and at present separated by a vast extent of territory. One of these groups comprises animals of the Arctic regions which were driven southward by the great northern ice-sheet; the other consists of Alpine animals which were driven down to the plains by the huge glaciers covering the mountains. This Arctic-Alpine fauna of the tundras is evidenced by many fossil remains and includes the following forms:

*Typical Arctic Forms.*

|                                   |                                    |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Lemming (banded and Obi lemmings) | <i>Myodes lemnus</i> Collet        |
| Arctic fox                        | <i>Canis lagopus</i> L.            |
| Reindeer                          | <i>Rangifer tarandus</i> L.        |
| Musk ox                           | <i>Ovibos moschatus</i> Blainville |
| Wolverine (glutton)               | <i>Gulo borealis</i> Nilsson       |

*Typical Alpine Forms.*

|               |                                  |
|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Ibex          | <i>Capra ibex</i> L.             |
| Chamois       | <i>Capella rupicapra</i> Blasius |
| Alpine marmot | <i>Arctomys marmotta</i> Blasius |
| Arctic hare   | <i>Lepus variabilis</i> Pallas   |



Fig. 10. Geographic distribution of the reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*) during the last glaciation and the subsequent stage of glacial retreat.

The distribution of the reindeer during the glacial stages is exceedingly significant. It is found throughout Europe—western, central, and eastern. Its extreme southern limit extends to the Cantabrian coast and the province of Gerona in Spain, and to the Blue Coast in the south of France (Mentone), but it did not pass beyond the plain of the Po. East of the Alps it penetrated as far as Krain (Laibach), being halted at the northern bank of the Danube and at the Black Sea (Figure 10). E. Harlé has demonstrated the presence of the lemming and musk ox in Dordogne, which ap-

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pears to have been the southwestern limit for these species. Their remains have also been found in Dordogne associated with the seal (*Phoca fœtida* and *P. grænlandica*).

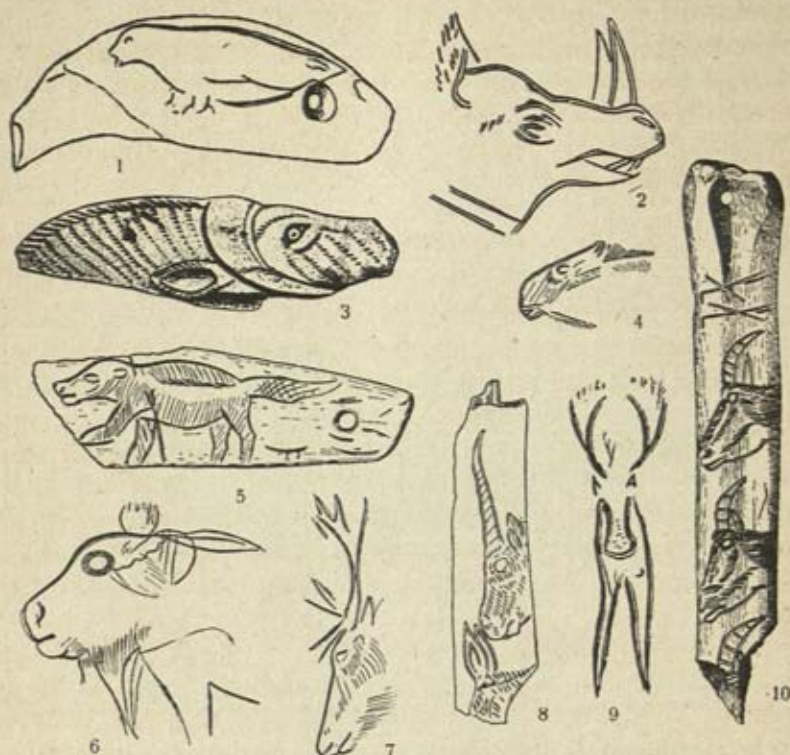


Fig. 11. Palæolithic representations of animals, engraved on horn or bone. After original drawings by H. Breuil.

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|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 Seal (Sordes)                   | 2 Rhinoceros (Gourdan)     |
| 3 Musk ox (Thaingen, Switzerland) | 4 Marmot (Gourdan)         |
| 5 Wolverine (Lorthet)             | 8 Saiga antelope (Gourdan) |
| 6 Cave lion (Gourdan)             | 9 Moose (Gourdan)          |
| 7 Reindeer (Mas d'Azil)           | 10 Chamois (Mas d'Azil)    |

It is, therefore, not at all surprising that at the Spanish site of Cueto de la Mina, Asturias, two molluscs typical of northern waters have been found, namely, *Cyprina islandica* and *Pecten islandicus*, which were doubtless gathered by Pleistocene man upon that same Cantabrian coast.

The ancient area of distribution for the chamois and ibex does not include England or northern Germany, or, generally speaking, any part of northern Europe, being limited in eastern and central Europe to the neighborhood of lofty mountain ranges. There are many deposits which contain this Arctic-Alpine fauna. Among the most typical may be named the cave of Kesslerloch near Schaffhausen in northern Switzerland, the cave of Sirgenstein near Schelklingen, Württemberg, and the cave of Šipka near Stramberg in northern Moravia.

*Post-glacial Time. Disappearance of the Neanderthal Race  
—Appearance of the Crô-Magnon Race. Tundra Climate Replaced by a Steppe Climate.*

The tundra phase is followed by a cold steppe phase, with the loess as its typical deposit. In the steppes of Asia at the present time the terrible winter storms with heavy snow cause the death of hundreds of thousands of animals. Subsequently, as the abrupt seasonal changes of climate ensue, their bodies are covered by the loess transported by the windstorms of spring and autumn. It is thus easy to see why such abundant fossil remains are found in the loess of the Glacial Epoch.

A careful study of these remains shows that all the animals of the tundra lived also throughout the cold steppe phase. This intermixture is not surprising when one considers that in nature two successive climatic and faunal phases are not sharply separated, but the transition is gradual and almost imperceptible. Nevertheless, it may be noted that the musk ox and lemming are of much rarer occurrence in the typical steppe, while at the same time new forms appear which are never found in the tundra and are also absent from the forest.

*Typical Steppe Forms.*

|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| Great jerboa           | <i>Alactaga jaculus</i> Pallas               |
| Spermophile or suslik  | <i>Spermophilus citillus</i> Blasius         |
| Steppe suslik          | <i>Spermophilus rufescens</i> Keys and Blas. |
| Polish (steppe) marmot | <i>Arctomys (Ochotona) bobac</i> Blasius     |
| Tailless hare or pika  | <i>Lagomys pusillus</i> Pallas               |
| Saiga antelope         | <i>Saiga tartarica</i> Pallas                |



During the steppe phase the woolly elephant or mammoth (*Elephas primigenius* Pallas, Figure 19 c) attained its maximum predominance, and also the woolly rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros tichorhinus* Cuvier, Figure 12).

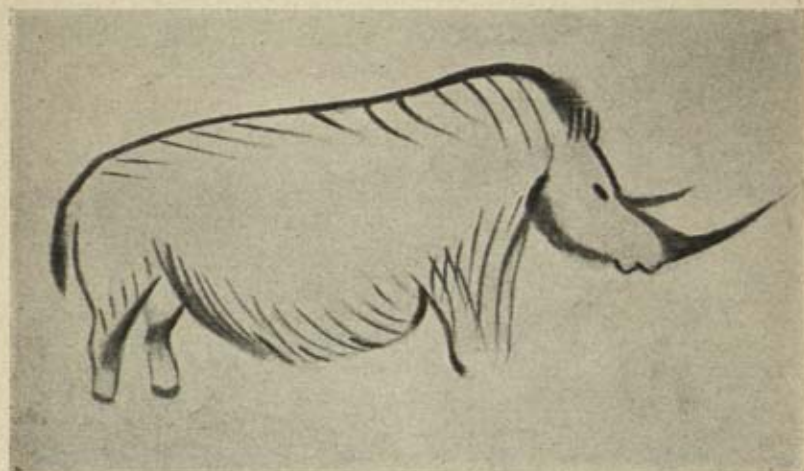


Fig. 12. Woolly rhinoceros painted in red on the rock wall of the cavern of Font-de-Gaume, Dordogne, France. After H. Breuil.

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The mammoth lived in almost all of Europe except the far north, its range extending southward as far as the Cantabrian coast and the province of Gerona in northern Spain, and also to the environs of Rome in central Italy, the northern Balkan regions, and the south shore of the Black Sea (Anatolia and the region south of the Caucasus). It was a typical northern species, being marvelously protected from cold by its woolly coat. Its constant companion was the woolly rhinoceros, which was absent only in Italy.

Remains of the Saiga antelope are found throughout central Europe and westward as far as Lot-et-Garonne, France, and the valley of the Thames, England. Very typical were the steppe horse and the kiang or Asiatic wild ass (*Equus hemionus*); while the primitive ox and bison, stag, wapiti, Persian deer, Siberian fallow deer, and steppe por-

cupine (*Bos primigenius*, *Bison priscus*, *Cervus elaphus*, *C. canadensis*, *C. maral*, *C. pygargus*, *Hystrix hirsutirostris*) were less abundant.



Fig. 13. Geographic distribution of the mammoth (*Elephas primigenius*) during the last glaciation and the subsequent stage of glacial retreat.

Among the many Palæolithic loess stations in Europe mention may be made of the loess deposit at Thiede near Brunswick, and the loess station in the open at Předmost, Moravia.

The faunal lists for the stations above referred to belong to the fourth or final glaciation, and to its cold post-glacial phases, and therefore represent the most recent glacial fauna.

Little is known of the Third Glacial Stage. Gutswiller and Mühlberg have remarked the presence of the mammoth, reindeer, and stag (*Elephas primigenius*, *Rangifer tarandus*, *Cervus elaphus*) in the Riss gravels of Switzerland. Of the same age is the "Mammoth Loam" of Cannstatt, near



Stuttgart, Württemberg. The geologic age of this loam has been determined in masterly fashion by E. Koken. It contains remains of mammoth, woolly rhinoceros, primeval ox,



Fig. 14. Cave bear engraved on the rock of the cave of Combarelles, Dordogne, France. After H. Breuil.  
*Greatly reduced in size.*



Fig. 15. Cave lion engraved on the rock of the cave of Combarelles, Dordogne, France. After H. Breuil.  
*Greatly reduced in size.*

stag, giant deer of Germany, reindeer, wild horse, and cave bear (*Elephas primigenius*, *Rhinoceros tichorhinus*, *Bos primigenius*, *Cervus elaphus*, *Cervus megaceros germaniæ*, *Rangifer tarandus*, *Equus caballus*, *Ursus spelæus*).

In view of the geologic conditions in Europe during the different glacial stages (Plate I), it might be expected that the flora then existing in the territory between the great northern ice-sheet and the Alpine glaciation would be Arctic-

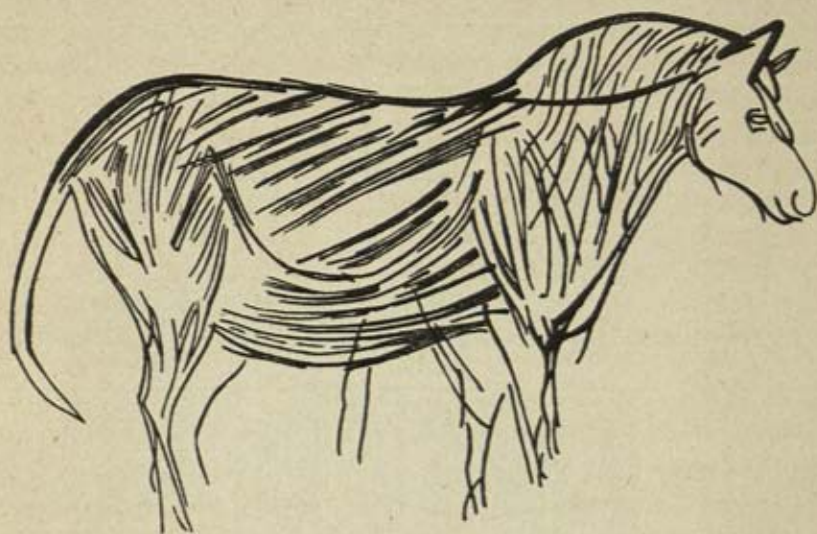


Fig. 16. Wild horse engraved on the rock of the cave of Buxu, Asturias, Spain. After H. Obermaier and Count de la Vega del Sella.

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Alpine in character. In fact, fossil remains of *Salix polaris* (Arctic willow), *Betula nana* (dwarf birch), *Dryas octopetala* (mountain avens), *Arctostaphylos uvaursi*, and *Polygonum viviparum* were discovered by A. Nathorst at Schwarzenbach in the Canton of Zurich, Switzerland, directly above the clays of the basal moraine. And he also discovered near Deuben, Saxony, evidence that in former times there was a true northern tundra flora along the border of the great northern ice-field. In the post-glacial tuffs of the Swabian plain near Schussenried there have been found fossil remains of plants (of species such as *Hypnum sarmentosum*, *H. aduncum* var. *grœnlandicum*, and *H. fluitans* var. *tenuissimum*) which at the present time are re-



stricted to regions near seventy degrees north latitude and to the loftiest summits of the Alps. It would be easy to enumerate a list of such typically northern deposits in Germany, the Baltic region, Denmark, and southern Scandinavia,—some belonging to the glacial stages, and some to the first post-glacial retreat,—their Arctic character being indicated by the presence of mosses, Arctic willows (*Salix retusa*, *S. herbacea*, *S. polaris*), dwarf birch, and mountain avens. But we will mention only that this same boreal flora also occurs repeatedly in England, as, for example, north of London, where Clement Reid has found a typical Arctic flora (*Salix lapponum*, *Armeria arctica*, and others) in glacial deposits of the Lea Valley. Nevertheless, in those parts where glaciation was less severe, as in Bohemia and the region of the middle Rhine, there were probably some sparse stunted groves of birch, quaking poplar, and Scotch fir.

The tundra flora of those areas strongly affected by the ice indicates the rigorous climate of a glacial stage, with very long winters and very short, cold summers. The beginning and end of each glaciation appears to have been marked by a typical steppe phase, its geologic equivalent being the loess previously described.

Glancing at the faunal lists of sites named in this chapter (see Appendix), it will be found that a number of species are common both to the warm and the cold climates. These species consist either of those that are easily adaptable, or those that flourish indifferently in a cold or warm environment. Among the most frequently occurring forms are the carnivores—the cave bear (Figure 14), cave lion (Figure 15), cave hyena, leopard, lynx, wildeat, wolf, fox, and dhole (*Ursus spelæus*, *Felis spelæa*, *Hyæna spelæa*, *Felis pardus*, *F. lynx*, *F. catus ferus*, *Canis lupus*, *C. vulpes*, *Cuon europæus*). Of common occurrence also are a number of Cervidæ, including the giant deer (*Cervus megaceros*, also known as *C. euryceros* or *C. hibernicus*), stag (*C. elaphus*), and moose (*Alces palmatus* or *C. alces*). The Equidæ are represented by the wild horse (*Equus caballus*), both forest and Celtic types; and the Bovidæ by the primeval ox (*Bos primigenius*) and primeval bison (*Bison priscus*, Figure

17). In addition there are the otter (*Lutra vulgaris*), beaver (*Castor fiber*), and others. In the early Pleistocene many of these species are represented by their more primitive ancestral forms. The frequent occurrence of roe deer, wild boar, brown bear, rabbit, wild ox, and bison (*Cervus capreolus*, *Sus scrofa ferus*, *Ursus arctos*, *Lepus cuniculus*, *Bos primigenius*, *Bison priscus*) indicates a mild climate, intermediate between the extremes of glacial and interglacial time.

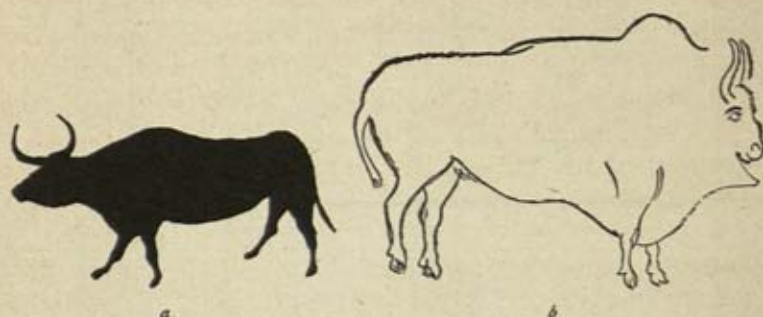


Fig. 17. Wild ox and bison. *a* Primitive ox (*Bos primigenius*) painted in red on rock at Albarracín, Teruel, Spain. After J. Cabré. *b* Bison (*B. priscus*) engraved on rock and partly painted, in the cave of Pindal, Asturias. After H. Breuil.

*Both designs greatly reduced in size.*

### *Influence of the Post-glacial Environment on the Social and Artistic Development of the Crô-Magnon Race.*

In the lists of plants and animals given above, and in the above-described succession of tundra conditions by steppe conditions, we are picturing the environment of a great race of people—chiefly the Crô-Magnon—whose fine qualities were doubtless developed by the very difficulties with which they had to contend. They continued to be *cave men*, for the climate was still extremely severe, but cave men of a very different order from the Neanderthals whom they dispossessed.

In the lists of animals the reader may find those which the Crô-Magnons especially selected for their industry and for



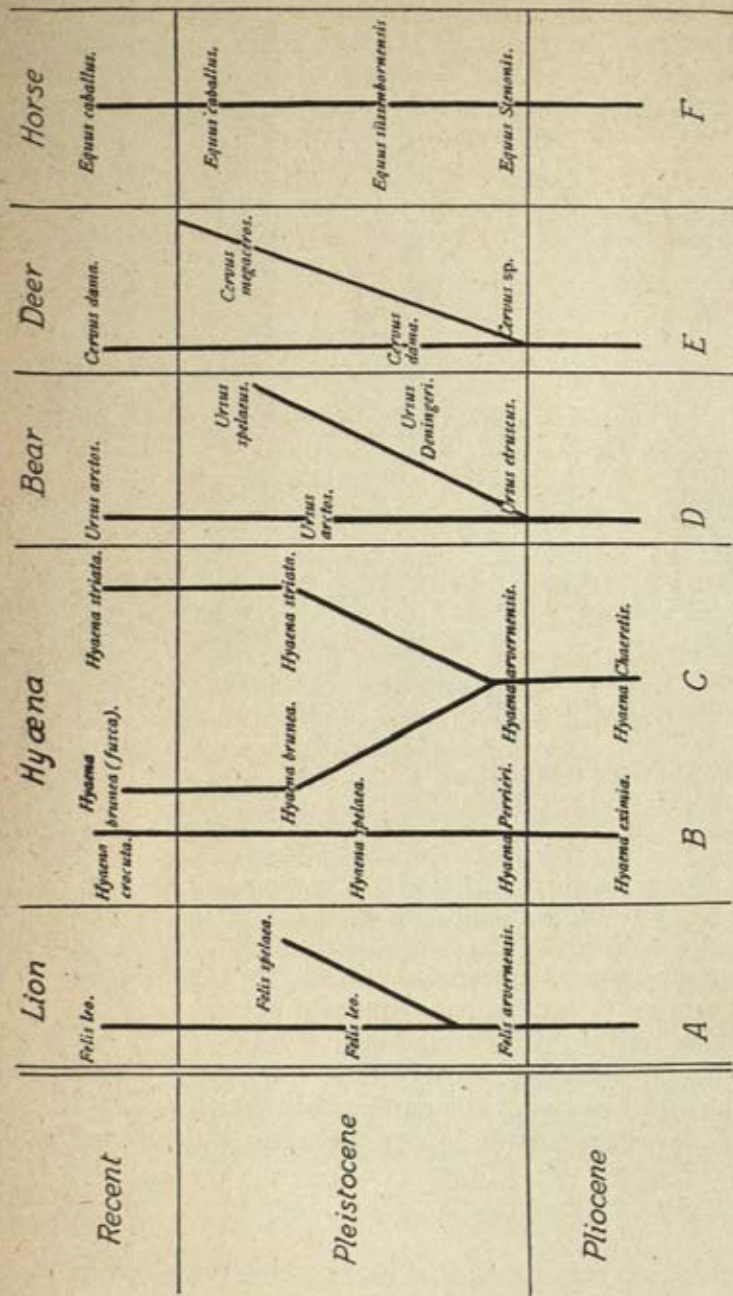


Fig. 18. Diagram showing the ancestry of the most important species of Pleistocene mammals, extending from Middle Pliocene to recent times.

A The "Lion of Auvergne," a typical Pliocene ancestral form, giving rise to the lion of present times, with the cave lion of the Glacial Age (*Felis spelæa*) as an extinct side branch.

B *Hyæna eximia* of Pliocene times, a form ancestral to the hyæna of Perrier of Early Pleistocene age, to the cave hyæna of the Glacial Age, and to the spotted hyæna of present times.

C *Hyæna Charvati*, a Pliocene form, ancestral to the "Hyæna of Auvergne," from which *Hyæna brunnea* and *Hyæna striata* (the striped hyæna) of Glacial and present times are descended.

D *Ursus eructus*, the Etruscan bear, a Pliocene form extending into the Pleistocene and giving rise to the brown bear (*Ursus arctos*) of present times, as well as to the extinct side line represented by Deninger's bear (*Ursus deningeri*) and by the cave bear (*Ursus spelæus*).

E The deer of Pliocene and Early Pleistocene time, ancestral to the existing *Cervus dama*, as well as to the extinct giant deer or Irish elk (*Cervus megaceros*) of Pleistocene times.

F Steno's horse, a Pliocene form ancestral to the horse of Süssenhorn, and through that line to the modern horse (*Equus caballus*).

their art, which—somewhat in the order of frequency—we may enumerate as follows:

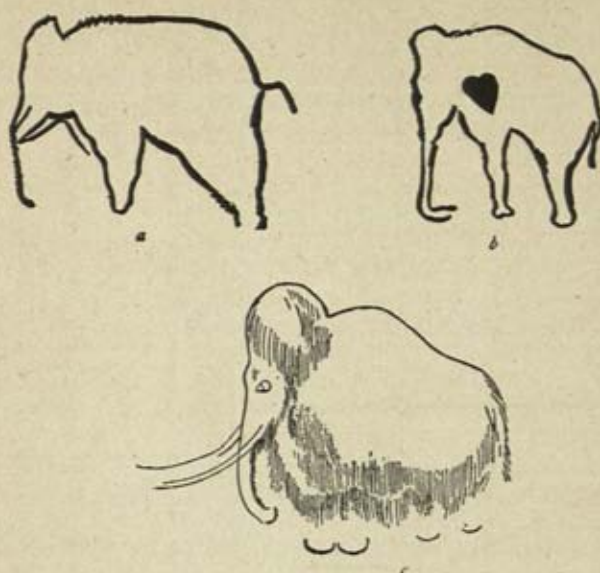


Fig. 19. Elephants of the Glacial Epoch. After H. Breuil. *a, b* Hairless elephants painted in red on rock in the caves of Castillo, Santander, and of Pindal, Asturias, both in Spain. *c* Mammoth engraved on rock in the cave of Font-de-Gaume, Dordogne, France.

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|   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| Reindeer ( <i>Rangifer tarandus</i> )         | used in all the arts                |
| Woolly mammoth ( <i>Elephas primigenius</i> ) | supply of ivory                     |
| Primeval bison ( <i>Bison priscus</i> )       | very frequent                       |
| Primeval ox ( <i>Bos primigenius</i> )        | less frequent                       |
| Wild horse ( <i>Equus caballus</i> )          | three species—very frequent         |
| Stag ( <i>Cervus elaphus</i> )                | fairly frequent — frequent in Spain |
| Woolly rhinoceros ( <i>R. tichorhinus</i> )   | rather rare                         |
| Cave lion ( <i>Felis spelæa</i> )             | rather rare                         |
| Cave bear ( <i>Ursus spelæus</i> )            | rather rare                         |

The causes responsible for the extinction of a great number of Pleistocene species are many and various. In many



cases the cause, aside from climatic conditions, was unquestionably a hyperspecialization and at the same time the beginning of degeneration. Of the European fauna the cave bear, cave hyena, cave lion, giant deer, mammoth, and woolly rhinoceros did not disappear until the Post-glacial Stage, and disappeared earlier in the south than in the north. In no case was Pleistocene man the "destroyer" of this interesting fauna.

## CHAPTER IV

### EARLY PALÆOLITHIC INDUSTRIES

*The Age of Stone—Palæolithic and Neolithic—Divisions of the Palæolithic—Succession of industries in the Somme Valley—Life in the Old Stone Age—Dwellings—Tools and weapons—Game and the chase—Early Palæolithic industries in France—Pre-Chellean industry—Saint-Acheul—Abbeville—Fauna—Primitive stone implements—Chellean climate, fauna, and industry—Hand ax or coup de poing—Small implements—Other Chellean deposits—Acheulean climate, fauna, and industry—Types of hand ax—Miniature forms of La Micoque—Levallois blades—Possible uses of the Acheulean hand ax—Mousterian climate, fauna, and industry—Cave dwellings—Growing isolation of tribal groups—Combe-Capelle—Le Moustier and the climax of the Mousterian industry—The Mousterian “hand point”—Earliest known use of bone—Abri Audi—Aberrant types—Western Europe—Southern Europe—Central Europe—Eastern Europe—Migration routes of the Old Stone Age—Africa—Asia—America—Australia—Uniformity of Early Palæolithic industries—Primitive peoples of the present time—Early Palæolithic sepultures—Belief in a future life—Cannibalism—Magic—Conclusions.*

HAVING discussed in the preceding chapters, albeit very briefly, the nature of the earth's surface during the Pleistocene Epoch and also the nature of the fauna which peopled our planet during the repeated climatic changes of that time, we may now commence the study of Pleistocene Man. The name given to this entire period of civilization is the “Old Stone Age” or “Palæolithic,” in contradistinction to the “New Stone Age” or “Neolithic”—the latter representing a more advanced stage of civilization which developed in the present geologic epoch.

The Palæolithic includes a number of subdivisions, namely, the Pre-Chellean, Chellean, Acheulean, and Mousterian (Early Palæolithic); and the Aurignacian, Solutrean, and Magdalenian (Late Palæolithic).<sup>1</sup> Our eighth chapter is devoted to seeing the way in which this classification corresponds to the geologic divisions of Pleistocene time—a problem which has a variety of offered solutions.

This classification is conclusively verified by a whole



series of deposits which also go to show that each subdivision occupied a considerable lapse of time.

As a representative station and one of the most complete as regards stratigraphy we shall later describe the Spanish cave of Castillo in the province of Santander (Chapter VI).

In the valley of the Somme, near Amiens in northern France, V. Commont was also able to demonstrate a stratigraphic succession that is very enlightening in regard to the principal stages of Pleistocene industries, which there occur in levels very distinctly separated one from another, as follows:

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| <i>i</i> Magdalenian      | Only a few scanty deposits are found                         |
| <i>h</i> Solutrean        | Surface of the loess and upper loess-loam                    |
| <i>g</i> Aurignacian      | Upper part of the upper loess                                |
| <i>f</i> Late Mousterian  | Middle of the upper loess                                    |
| <i>e</i> Early Mousterian | Base of the upper loess                                      |
| <i>d</i> Late Acheulean   | Lower loess loam   |
| <i>c</i> Early Acheulean  | Lower sandy loess  |
| <i>b</i> Chellean         | Fine sands of the upper levels of the second fluvial terrace |
| <i>a</i> Pre-Chellean     | Coarse gravels of the second and third terraces of the Somme |

Throughout Palæolithic times man led a life more or less nomadic, ignorant of the use of metals and the art of polishing stone, possessing neither domestic animals nor pottery. The warm climate of the Pre-Chellean and Chellean and the mild temperature of the Acheulean caused man, in Early Palæolithic times, to prefer stations in the open, and so he encamped on the lower slopes of hills, at the foot of steep rocky cliffs, or on the sandy shores of rivers. In such places he cleared the chosen site of brush, and lighted fires to serve as protection from beasts of prey during the night. These primitive men sought in preference the neighborhood of rivers. There the gravels afforded abundant nodules of flint, pebbles of quartzite and of other kinds of rock, well adapted for making tools and weapons of stone, simply and rudely fashioned. It may be supposed that there were also tools and weapons of various kinds made of wood, such as maces, spikes, clubs, stakes pointed and hardened in the fire, etc.



It will easily be understood why no such implements are ever found, if one considers the perishable nature of wood.

The chief occupation of these men was the chase. W. Soergel has recently drawn attention to the fact that in the Early Palæolithic stations the remains of giant fauna are far more numerous than those of smaller animals. The only means of hunting hippopotamus, elephant, and rhinoceros—against which crude weapons of wood or stone would be impotent—would be by means of a trap or sort of stocks made ready on the river shores where these pachyderms would naturally resort, or in places where they had worn a trail to their accustomed watering place. In connection with this is the fact that the fossil bones found in Palæolithic deposits belong for the most part to young animals. It is known that the little ones precede their mothers on the march, and therefore, thanks to their inexperience, are the first to fall into a trap and the easiest to hunt.

The bear, a very wary animal, was difficult to hunt. Possibly this was effected by closing the entrance to his den, suffocating with smoke and thus killing him. Less important to primitive man was the chase of such lesser animals as the various species of wild cattle, horses, and Cervidæ. This would perhaps be effected by means of a drive, or by barring passage to the animals in narrow valleys or rocky districts. It would follow that almost all the victims would be either young animals, pregnant females, or sickly individuals. Hunting by means of surprise in the case of sleeping or exhausted animals would also be practiced—a means in common use with the Bushmen, who have brought it to the height of perfection. Neither is it impossible that the use of lasso, throwing-stick, and snare was known. The remains of carnivores are of rare occurrence in stations of human industry for the reason that these animals were not killed for food but in self-defense.

The game was dressed where it was killed, and only the utilizable parts carried back to the camp of the tribe, the remainder being left to the beasts of prey. When, with continued hunting, game became scarce, the tribe would journey to other hunting grounds not yet depleted. The abandoned camps were often covered by the deposits of rivers in flood,



thus concealing all traces of man's former presence, and so it is that bones and artefacts may now sometimes be found in river sands and gravels.

The earliest known Palæolithic industry has been provisionally named the "Pre-Chellean," and up to the present time it has been found only in western Europe. Thanks to the fortunate discoveries of V. Commont, the first evidences of its existence were found in the second terrace of the Somme near Saint-Acheul—in the neighborhood of Amiens, Somme, France—embedded in coarse gravels which contained no animal remains. The lack of accompanying fauna at this site was compensated by abundant discoveries at Abbeville, at the mouth of the Somme, at a site corresponding to the same levels of the same terrace as that at Saint-Acheul explored by Commont. This fauna, studied in masterly fashion by G. d'Ault du Mesnil, bears the unmistakable character of the Middle Pleistocene, with elements such as *Elephas (meridionalis) trogontherii*, *E. antiquus*, *Hippopotamus major*, *Rhinoceros merckii*, *R. etruscus*, *R. leptorhinus*, *Machairodus*, numerous Cervidæ (among them *Cervus solilhacus* and *C. somonensis*), *Equus stenonis*, etc. (various species of deer, elephants, and rhinoceroses, Steno's horse, hippopotamus, saber-tooth tiger, and others).

It would appear that the same cultural stage is represented in the Seine Basin, where this Middle Pleistocene fauna, which bears witness to a warm interglacial climate, is found together with an exceedingly primitive stone industry that, considered either *in toto* or separately, is unquestionably of human origin. Poor and rude as this industry appears in most cases, none the less it cannot be doubted that it presents genuine "implements," that is to say, artefacts that have been formed not by blind chance but by deliberate intention (Figure 20). These implements are primitive precursors of the "coup de poing" or "hand ax," and there are also flakes, more or less atypical, which—as a result of the fracture of lumps or nodules of stone—are found in a variety of forms, some pointed, some long and leaf-shaped, and others, again, irregularly polyhedral. The makers of these implements were evidently dependent on the accidental and crude forms of flake obtained by fracture,

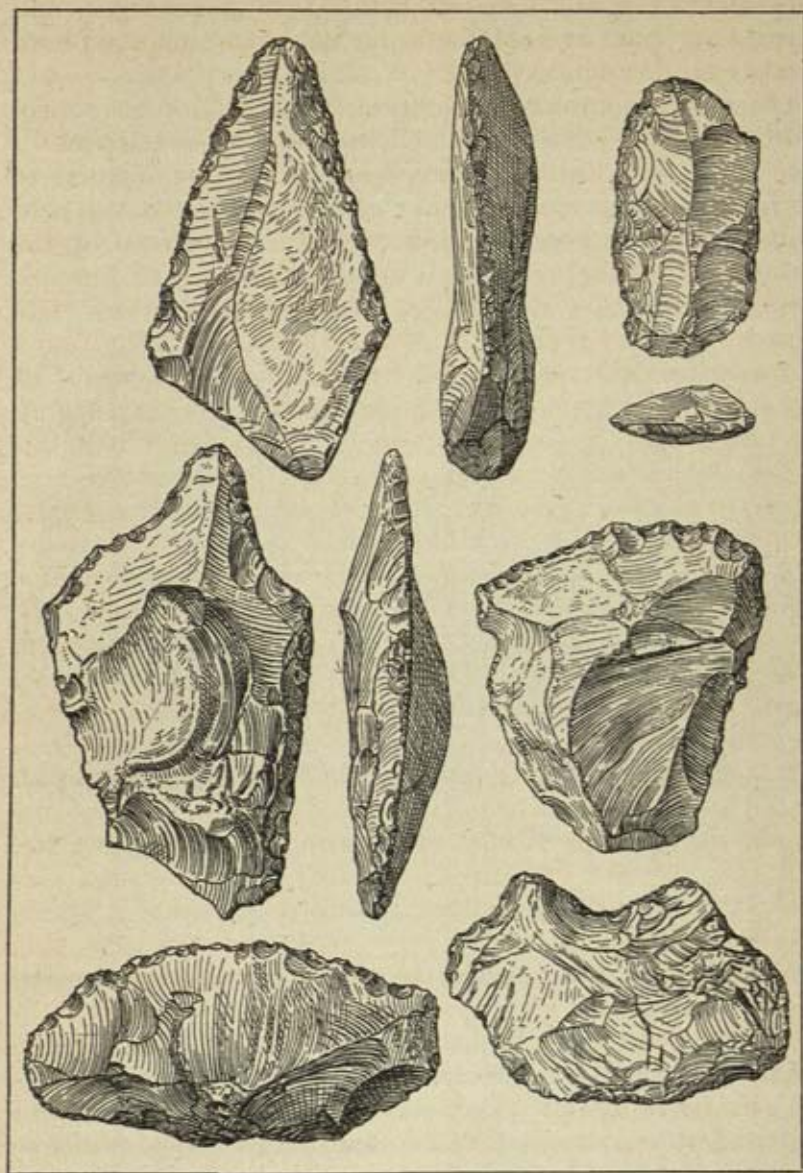


Fig. 20. Pre-Chellean flint implements from Saint-Acheul.  
*One-half actual size.*



showing no capacity to shape them in any adequate fashion. On this account almost all the forms consist of fragments, with sometimes long and sometimes broad pieces predominating, and they are generally exceedingly irregular and clumsy in outline. Thus there resulted implements in the form of points, knives, scrapers with outcurved and incurved edges, planing tools, and others. The way in which these stone implements accommodate themselves to the

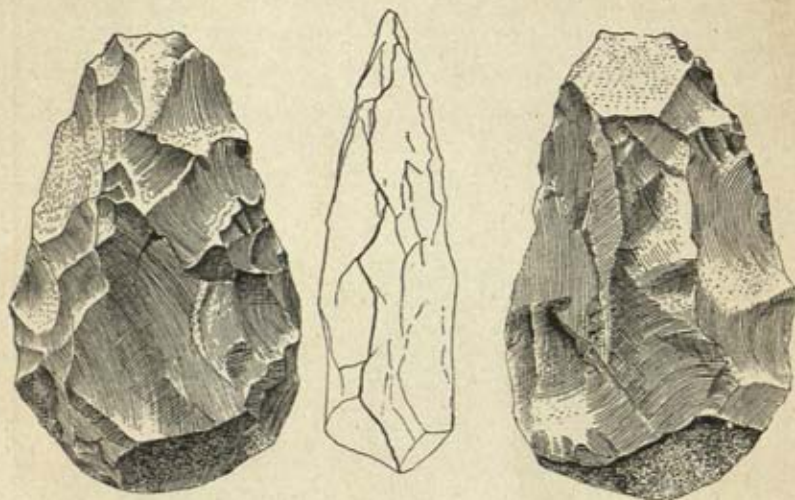


Fig. 21. Chellean hand ax or *coup de poing* of quartzite from Torralba, Soria, Spain, of the typical almond shape.  
*Two-fifths actual size.*

grasp of the hand indicates, almost certainly, that they were not hafted.

More recent and further evolved than the industry just described is that known as the Chellean, a name derived from the well-known type station of Chelles, Seine-et-Marne, a small village east of Paris near where the Marne flows into the Seine. This industry also belongs to an interglacial stage with a warm climate, as is shown by the flora of La Celle-sous-Moret, Seine-et-Marne (p. 380), and by the presence of *Corbicula fluminalis*. This conclusion is confirmed by the list of mammals found in Chellean deposits—

*Hippopotamus major*, *Elephas antiquus* (straight-tusked elephant), *Rhinoceros merckii*, *Equus stenonis* (Steno's horse)?, and *Trogotherium* being found at Chelles; and *Hippopotamus*, *Rhinoceros merckii*, *Elephas antiquus*, *E. (trogotherii) primigenius* (mammoth), wild oxen, and horses of large size at Saint-Acheul. (As regards the existence of an ancient "cold" Chellean, as yet purely hypothetical, see Chapter VIII.) It must be noted, however, that several of the ancient pachyderms, such as *Rhinoceros*

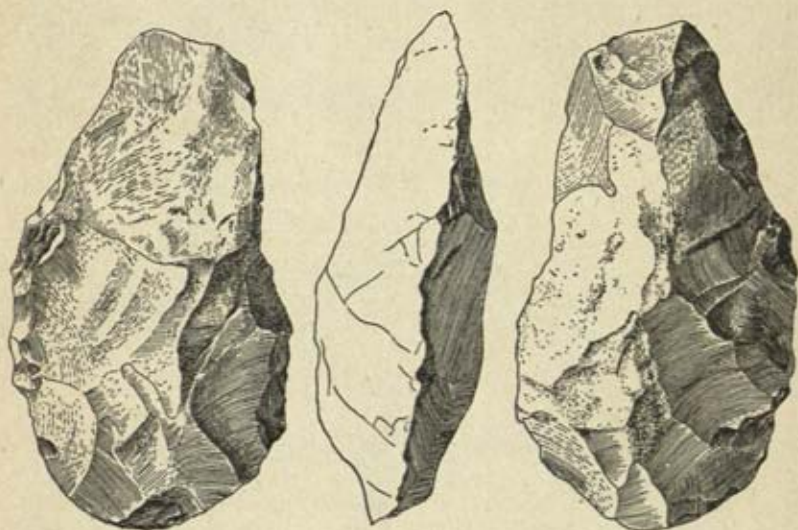


Fig. 22. Chellean hand ax or *coup de poing* of flint from San Isidro, Madrid.

One-third actual size.

*etruscus* and the typical form of *Elephas trogontherii*, are absent from this list, which tends to give the Chellean fauna an aspect less ancient.

The type of implement characteristic of the Chellean industry is known as the "coup de poing" or hand ax—defined by the school of Mortillet as applying to forms made from a nodule of stone, elongate, generally of flint, to which an amygdaloid shape is given; that is to say, a shape rounded at the base and pointed at the top.



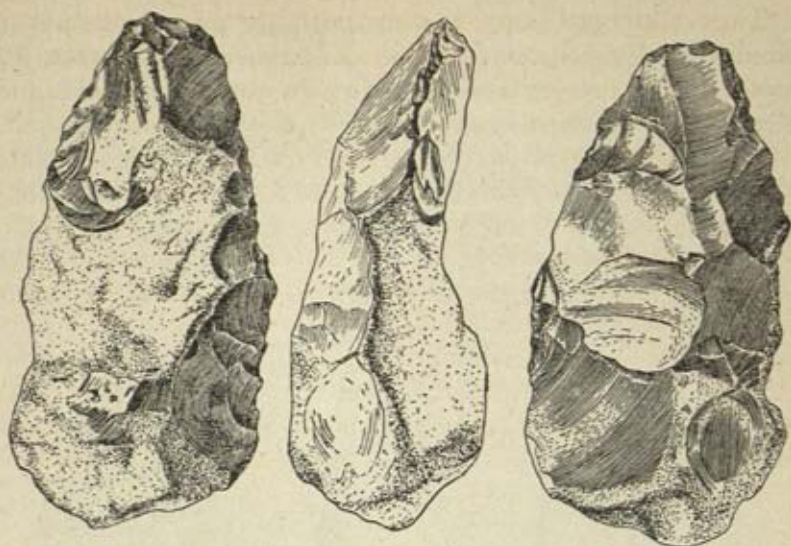


Fig. 23. Chellean hand ax or *coup de poing* of flint from San Isidro, Madrid.

*Two-fifths actual size.*

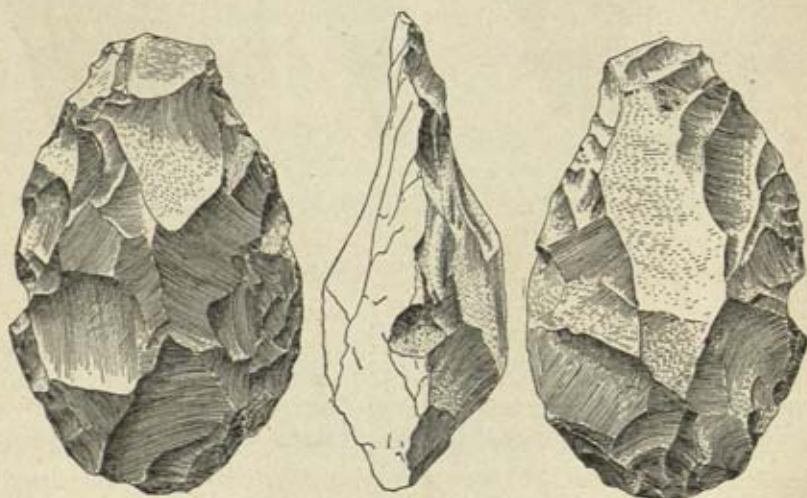


Fig. 24. Chellean hand ax or *coup de poing* of chaledony from Torralba, Soria, of the typical almond shape.

*One-third actual size.*

Thus the two sides of the hand ax are conchoid and rounded, or convex in form, while it has cutting edges. The method of retouch varies greatly. In some cases it is only partial and effected in such manner as to leave intact parts of the edge and especially the base of the implement, so that the natural bulk of the nodule affords a convenient grasp (Figure 23). The hand axes belonging to this stage include only coarse and massive types; the two sides show a very simple retouch, the outlines are clumsy, and the edges irregular and crooked. The form of these Chellean hand axes varies greatly. The commonest type is rather long, almond-shaped, and pointed at the top (Figures 21, 24). There are also types like discs, rounded and heavy, as well as lance-shaped and ovoid types with little suggestion of the "almond

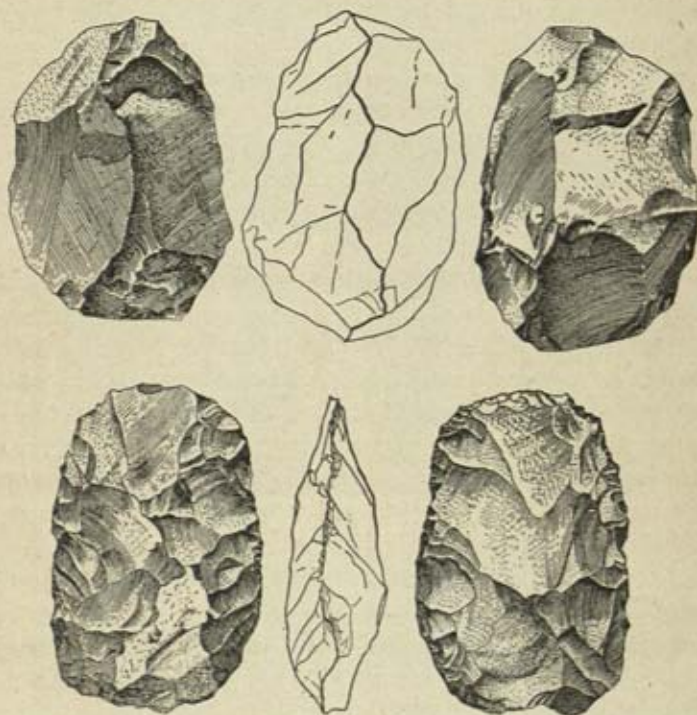


Fig. 25. Chellean hand axes from Torralba, Soria. *Above*: Discoid type, of limestone. *Below*: Ovoid type, of flint.

*One-third actual size.*



shape," which are included in this class on account of the character of their bilateral retouch (Figure 25). Judging from their primitive form these implements would seem to have served many various purposes, and in most cases to have been grasped in the hand, although it is very possible that some of them may have been fastened to a haft of wood or bark.

Here we may mention that early investigators failed to remark that along with the hand axes there were a number of small implements like irregular flakes, some with incurved edges, other forms pointed, with long or short point, and carefully retouched. There were also leaf-shapes, broad and thick, implements with straight edge and rounded back, coarse gravers, planing tools, scrapers with incurved edges, and broad scrapers. It may be definitely affirmed that all the small forms of implements belonging to the Early Palæolithic were already created in Chellean times, even though they continued to be derived from the accidental form of a clumsy flake. Their evolution and specialization was reserved for later times (Figure 26).

In the basins of the Somme and of the Seine there are found on all sides authentic Chellean deposits, which also are by no means rare in central and southern France. But, in general, these discoveries are situated either in the "loam," where no remains of fauna can be preserved, or else near the surface with an admixture of later industries, so that their value as scientific evidence is purely relative.

The natural evolution from the Chellean constitutes the Acheulean industry, the name being derived from that now famous suburb of Amiens, in the valley of the Somme, known as Saint-Acheul. Generally speaking, this stage was marked by a continuation of the warm climate of the Chellean, not only in southern, but also in western and central Europe. This is indicated by the presence of the straight-tusked elephant (*Elephas antiquus*) in the Early Acheulean of Saint-Acheul (lower sandy loess); of Merck's rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros merckii*) together with an Acheulean industry in the lower loess at Achenheim near Strasbourg, Alsace; and of both these pachyderms in the lower tuffs at Weimar, Germany.

But already in the Late Acheulean there is evidence of a marked change in climate. The lower loess-loam of Amiens shows, associated with this industry, remains of mammoth and woolly rhinoceros (*Elephas primigenius* and *Rhino-*

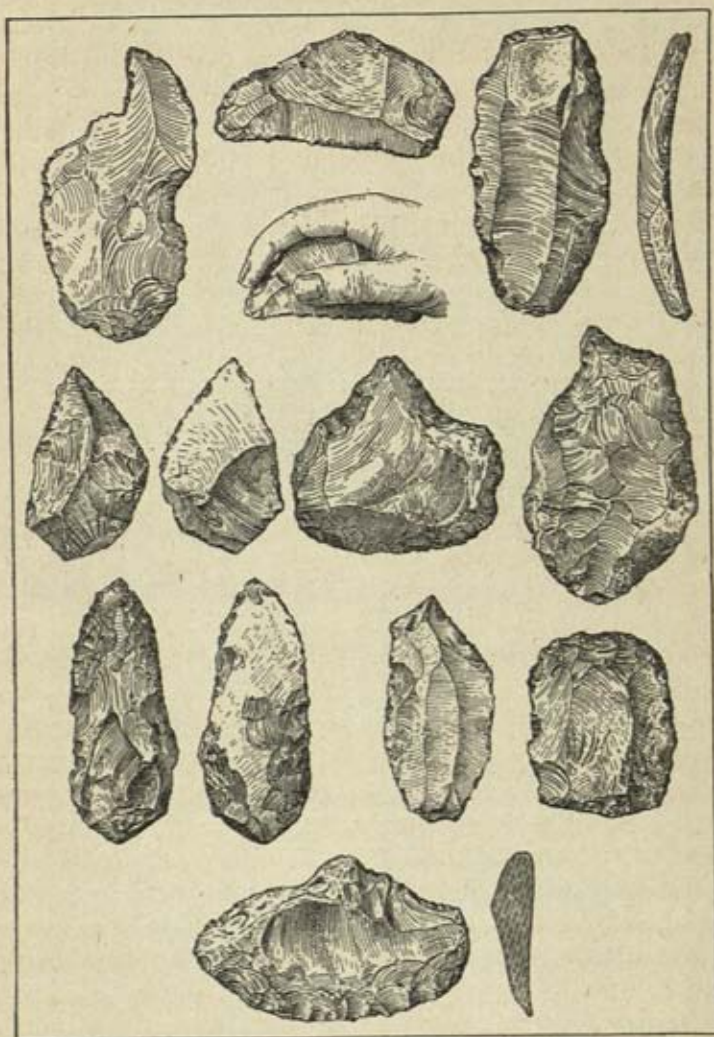


Fig. 26. Typical small Chellean implements of flint from Saint-Acheul, France.

*One-half actual size.*



*ceros tichorhinus*), and a complete absence of the "warm fauna," although the reindeer has not yet appeared. A mild steppe climate is indicated—characterized by great herds of wild horses (*Equus caballus*)—and at the same time we



Fig. 27. Early Acheulean hand ax of flint from San Isidro, Madrid.  
One-third actual size.

find that primitive man began occasionally to seek refuge in the caves.

During the Acheulean the hand ax attained the height of perfection. The characteristic form of this implement in Early Acheulean times was a flattened oval, thin, and with a straight axis when seen in side view. In general these hand axes were carefully worked on both sides as well as along the edges (Figures 27, 28, 29). Besides these, there were other forms, more pointed, which indicate transition to the lance-point form which, together with the fine triangular hand ax, is typical of the Late Acheulean. These implements are made with extreme care, the sides being very finely

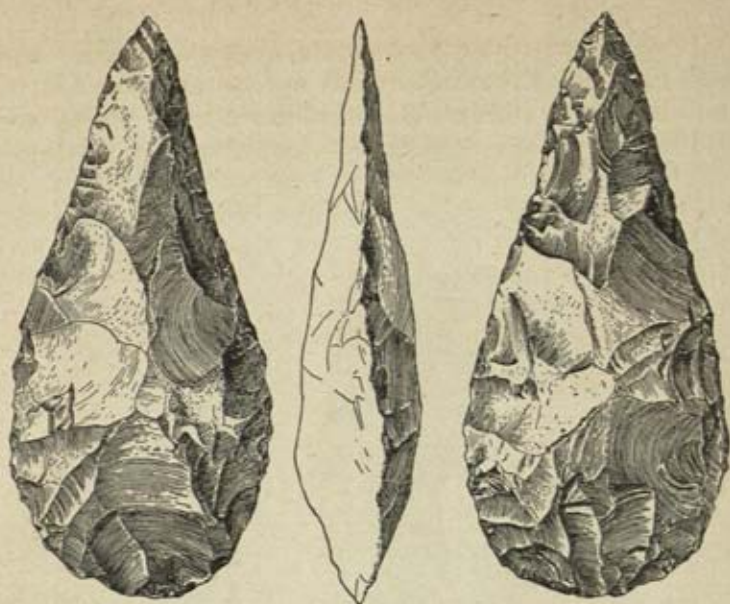


Fig. 28. Early Acheulean hand ax of flint from San Isidro, Madrid,  
of fine point form.  
*One-third actual size.*

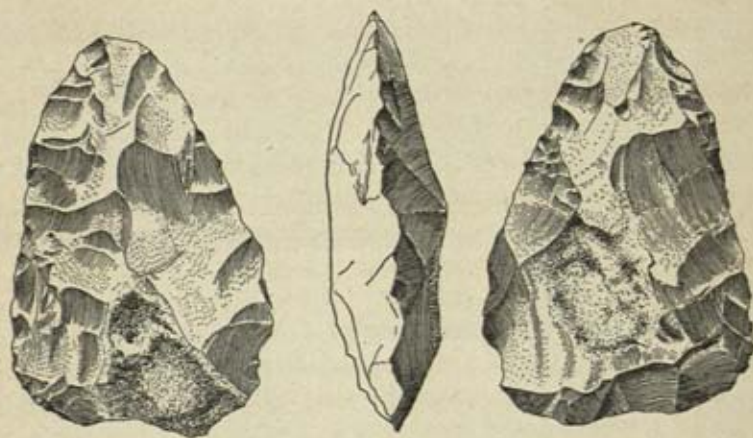


Fig. 29. Early Acheulean hand ax of flint from San Isidro, Madrid,  
of coarse triangular type.  
*One-third actual size.*



worked, and the apex either pointed or ending in a very narrow cutting edge (Figure 31).

A peculiar specialization is shown in the industry of La Micoque, Dordogne. Superposed upon a more ancient deposit of primitive industry with remains of *Rhinoceros merckii*, *Cervus euryceros*, etc., lies the principal deposit,



Fig. 30. Early Acheulean flint "ax" of "Levallois" type from San Isidro, Madrid.

One-third actual size.

consisting of distinct strata with remains of wild horses. It contains a variety of small implements, such as points, scrapers, borers, gravers, and others, representing the small forms of Acheulean industry. The unique feature of this deposit is the presence of miniature hand axes from  $2\frac{1}{3}$  to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches long, of the lance-point type, with thick base and very sharp point, which are found in great numbers along with others of oval or triangular shape.

Another specialized industry of the Acheulean is that of Levallois, near Paris, remarkable for the great number of blades and of flat and very broad discs. They are of large size, and retouched only on one side (Figures 30 and 33).

The Acheulean hand axes which are distributed throughout France—the later forms occurring most frequently—differ so markedly from those of the Chellean as to justify the question whether they were generally used as "hand" axes. The painstaking retouch of the edges leads one to

suppose that many forms were probably used for cutting up game, dressing pelts, etc. The narrow and pointed types, if properly hafted, would have served as excellent battle axes, the points or curved edges of which would be most effective when the weapon was thrown in combat or hunting.

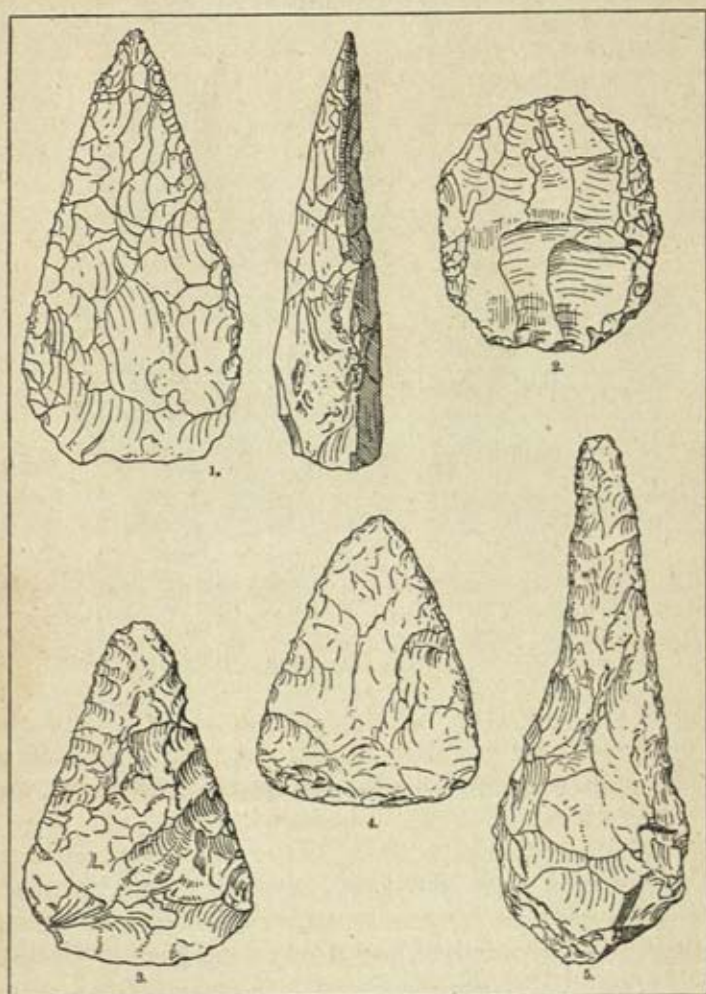


Fig. 31. Typical implements of the Late Acheulean. 1, 3, 4 Triangular hand axes or *coups de poing*. 2 Disc form. 5 Lance point form (lanceolate *coup de poing*).

*One-third actual size.*



During the Mousterian period directly following, the warm fauna—Merck's rhinoceros and the straight-tusked elephant—still persisted in southern Europe (northern Spain and the Riviera), but vanished from France, England, and central Europe, where the cold then invading those regions was reflected in a characteristic "cold fauna" con-

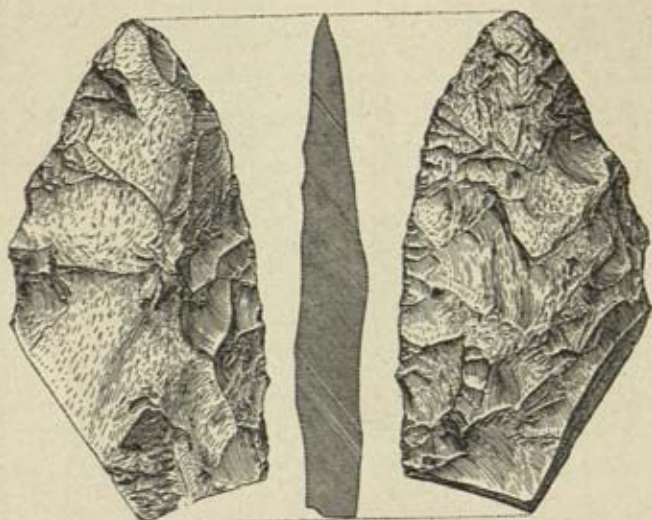


Fig. 32. A thin flint "ax" of Late Acheulean age from Las Delicias, Madrid. After H. Obermaier and P. Wernert.

*Three-fourths actual size.*

sisting of the woolly mammoth (typical form with narrow lamellæ to the molars), woolly rhinoceros, reindeer, Arctic fox, ibex, chamois, Alpine marmot, rufous spermophile, various types of horse, wild ox, bison, cave bear, cave lion, cave hyena, red deer, and giant deer. To this list may be added the lemmings (Arctic rodents) and the wolverine.

This change in climate had a very marked influence on Palæolithic man. Camps in the open became more and more scarce and the tribes of hunters scattered, seeking in various mountain regions the shelter of their caves. In this way they were divided into separate groups, little given to any extensive migration. Contact with other groups, such as

obtained in earlier times, ceased, and there followed in consequence the development of a number of small centers of industry subdivided into many "local phases," which makes an exact classification of the Mousterian industry a difficult matter.

The phase named from Combe-Capelle, Dordogne, in which the hand axes are still abundant, certainly belongs to

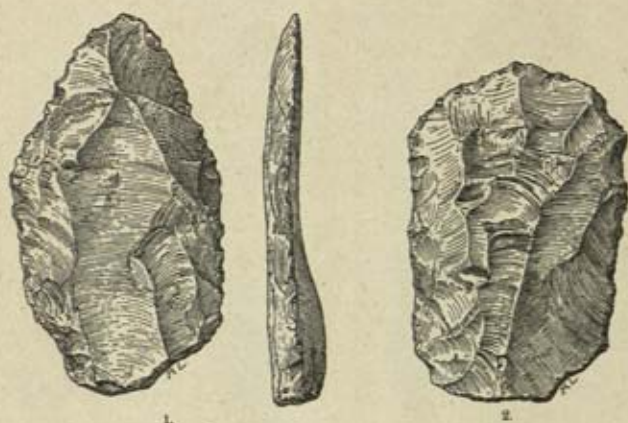


Fig. 33. Acheulean implements of the Levallois type. 1 Point. 2 Broad flake.

*One-third actual size.*

the commencement of the Mousterian. Here there are found, along with excellent triangular hand axes resembling those of the Late Acheulean type, other types heart-shaped or roughly triangular in form, worked with much less care. There are also hand axes in which one side has no retouch, coarse and degenerate types almost like the primitive Chellean in form. The influence of the Levallois style of workmanship is also to be noticed, and the small forms that accompany it are far from fine. Aside from this deposit, which still shows the Acheulean influence, there are strata of primitive Mousterian implements of small size, showing a limited number of forms and a very coarse and simple retouch. In some places this stage of the Mousterian appears to be synchronous with the final Acheulean, as if representing the intrusion of a premature Mousterian cul-



ture, having nothing in common with the Acheulean forms, either in inventory or workmanship.

The climax of the Mousterian (Middle Mousterian) is characteristically represented in the middle levels of that same station of Le Moustier, Dordogne, from which this cul-



Fig. 34. The principal characteristic types of Mousterian implements. 1 Hand point. 2 Double-ended point. 3 Planing tool. 4 Scraper. 5 Borer.

*Three-fifths actual size.*

tural stage derived its name. Of secondary importance is the hand ax, which is of medium size and rather careless workmanship. Taken as a whole, this industry is chiefly distinguished by the great development and fine execution of *small forms*, retouched only on one side (Figure 34).

Of prime importance among these small forms—which had already attained a considerable development in Acheulean times—was the Mousterian hand point, and there were also fine double points. Scrapers with distinctive retouch and borers attained a marked degree of development, while planing tools became rarer. Although all of these types are well represented in preceding stages, there can be no question that it is in the Middle Mousterian that they are united into an industrial complex showing a considerable attainment. Typical deposits are found in the chief strata at the station of La Quina in Charente.

It is probable that some of the "hand points" of this stage were hafted; that is to say, tied or gummed to a lance shaft. This seems to be indicated by the fact that the base of these points is broad, and sometimes retouched as if to afford a close fit.

In the same deposits are often found ends of the humerus of bison or wild horse—phalanges, or large fragments of the long bones, which show at certain points deep marks of rasping, cutting, and pounding. These seem to have served as anvils on which wooden lances or similar implements were shaped, and, considered as the earliest evidence of the use of bone, they are of some interest (Figure 35). Instances of the actual use of bone for the manufacture of tools or weapons, however, are extremely rare in the Early Palæolithic, being known in the deposits of La Quina, France, and those of the cave of Castillo, northern Spain, both of which contained slender bone points.

\*Authorities are much divided in opinion concerning the distribution and the stratigraphic boundaries of the typical Late Mousterian industry. Some have wished to include the phase shown at Abri Audi, near Les Eyzies, Dordogne, which comprises an advanced Mousterian culture with an admixture of early forms of the following Aurignacian stage (Figure 36).



Although in western Europe the Early Palæolithic evolved, as regards its general features, with extraordinary regularity, it need occasion no extreme surprise to find instances of the premature appearance of forms belonging to later cultures, and also of atavistic cultural survivals. Men-



Fig. 35. Bones from Mousterian deposits bearing marks of usage.  
After H. Martin.  
*Somewhat reduced.*

tion may be made of the industrial deposits at Montières near Amiens, where—associated with remains of hippopotamus, Merck's rhinoceros, and the straight-tusked elephant—there were found strata with large blades of worked stone, interposed between the Chellean and the Early Mousterian,<sup>3</sup> which Commont unfortunately described as "Mousterian." Another deposit with an industry consisting of blades very similar to the Mousterian forms was discovered by Lucas near Le Moustier, also at a very deep level. Both these sites appear to have been special workshops where, accidentally in the course of cutting the stone, there resulted implements of a more advanced technique, which, however, did not survive (Chapter VI).

The Early Palæolithic is found not only in France, but also in the rest of Europe. In Belgium, which, so to say, forms part of northern France, systematic explorations have been made by E. Dupont, J. Fraipont, Marcel de Puydt, A. de Lœe, A. Rutot, and others. The stations in the open and



Fig. 36. Typical forms from the "Abri Audi" characteristic of the final Mousterian. After H. Breuil.

*Two-thirds actual size.*

the caves of Belgium have afforded important discoveries, exactly corresponding with those found in France. It is true that, up to the present, no Chellean industry with warm fauna has been found in Belgium;<sup>4</sup> but excellent series of the Acheulean and Mousterian are found (Mousterian deposits of Spy, etc.). The Mousterian grottos of Saint Brelade and Saint Ouen in the island of Jersey serve to indicate the connection with England, which remained united to the continent until the Late Palæolithic. The gravels of the Thames, Ouse, Avon, and other streams contain the entire succession of Early Palæolithic industries from the "warm" Chellean (as at Gray's Thurrock, with remains of hippopotamus, straight-tusked elephant, Merck's rhinoceros, and the warmth-loving mollusc, *Corbicula fluminalis*) through the Acheulean to the Mousterian. Unfortunately, up to the



present time no studies have been made to determine their stratigraphy after modern scientific methods. Chief among the caves yielding hand axes are Kent's Hole near Torquay, Devonshire, Windmill Hill Cave at Brixham, and Wookey Hole on the south side of the Mendips, Somersetshire.

Corsica and Sardinia, having been islands from very ancient times, were never inhabited by Pleistocene man. Of great promise are the discoveries made in Italy, especially in the north, the region which has been most studied. Beside the Grotto delle Fate (Mousterian), there are others of the greatest importance, such as the "Grottes de Grimaldi" or "Baoussé Roussé" near Mentone. Here the lowest levels of the "Grotte des Enfants" contain Mousterian with remains of Merck's rhinoceros, and in the neighboring "Grotte du Prince" L. de Villeneuve, M. Boule, and E. Cartailhac made a section of 52½ feet through strata containing a warm fauna with remains of hippopotamus, straight-tusked elephant, and Merck's rhinoceros (p. 399) associated with a very characteristic Mousterian industry.<sup>5</sup> The upper strata of the grotto do not belong to the same period, as they contain remains of the reindeer with slight indications of an Aurignacian industry.

Many Early Palæolithic discoveries in Italy are found in the gravels of the Pleistocene, sometimes with an admixture of warm fauna. Of great interest are the deposits of the Agro Venosino, especially those at Terranera, Lombardy, where fine Chellean and Acheulean industries are found associated with remains of hippopotamus and straight-tusked elephant. No less interesting are the typical hand axes found by G. Bellucci *in situ* in the valleys of the Tevere and the Chiascio, Umbria, and by Baron G. Blanc in the environs of Rome itself. Finally, attention may be called to the magnificent worked hand axes of quartzite discovered in the Isle of Capri, about ten feet below volcanic deposits, and associated with remains of hippopotamus, straight-tusked elephant, cave bear, deer, wolf, and, it is said, cave lion and woolly rhinoceros (?).

Greece, with its archipelagoes, is yet to be explored.

The corresponding period in Spain is treated in Chapter VI.



From the first we would emphasize the fact that a notable measure of correspondence exists between the Palæolithic of western and of central Europe. This correspondence, both in palæontology and archæology, is further confirmed by the direct superposition of strata.

Up to the present only one Early Palæolithic site is known in Switzerland, and that is the cave of Wildkirchli, the exploration of which was accomplished by E. Bächler in 1904-1906. It is situated on Mount Sentis, over 4900 feet above sea level, and during the last glaciation towered like a "nunatak" above the surrounding ice, which never reached it. The cave contained remains of the cave lion, cave bear, leopard, cyon, wolf, ibex, chamois, stag, Alpine marmot, and otter associated with a very primitive industry in stone which might be termed an atypical Acheulean ("Pre-Mousterian") with no hand axes.

In Germany the most ancient traces of human industry are found in the lower tuffs of the Ilm near Weimar, especially in the environs of Taubach and Ehringsdorf. It is certain that these belong to a very ancient Palæolithic (Pre-Mousterian without hand axes) associated with a warm fauna as shown by the presence of straight-tusked elephant, Merck's rhinoceros, bear, cave bear, stag, roe deer, Dama deer, moose, giant deer, wild ox, bison, wild boar, horse, cave lion, leopard, cave hyena, beaver, and others (*Elephas antiquus*, *Rhinoceros merckii*, *Ursus arctos*, *Ursus spelæus*, *Cervus elaphus*, *Cervus capreolus*, *Cervus dama*, *Cervus alces*, *Cervus megaceros*, *Bos primigenius*, *Bison priscus*, *Sus scrofa*, *Equus* cfr. *germanicus*, *Felis spelæa*, *Felis pardus*, *Hyæna spelæa*, *Castor fiber*, etc.).

Of approximately the same age as the discovery site at Taubach, is the station of Rabutz near Halle, Thüringen. Investigations by E. Wüst, C. Gagel, C. A. Weber, H. Hahne, and W. Soergel showed that the clays there contained traces of plants characteristic of a mild climate and remains of the following mammals: straight-tusked elephant, Merck's rhinoceros, horse, wild ox, bison, deer of various species, including stag and roe deer, wild boar, lion, bear, and an animal resembling the wolf (*Elephas antiquus*, *Rhinoceros merckii*, *Equus* sp., *Bos primigenius*, *Bison priscus*, *Cervus*



cf. *palmatus*, *C. euryceros*, *C. elaphus*, *C. capreolus*, *Sus scrofa ferus*, *Felis leo fossilis*, *Ursus arctos*, *Canis* sp. (*lupus*?). The stone implements are unfortunately not very characteristic, but would seem to indicate a Pre-Mousterian approaching the Early Acheulean.

Among the other few Acheulean stations in the open may be mentioned Kösten near Lichtenfels, Bavaria. Among Acheulean sites in caves or by rock shelters we may name the shelter of Klause near Neu-Essing, Bavaria, with remains of the mammoth and woolly rhinoceros, together with magnificent hand axes of the latest Acheulean type. The gravels of Markkleeberg near Leipsic contain chiefly a typical and abundant Mousterian, associated with the same cold fauna. Mousterian industry is found in a great number of caves, chief among them being Sirgenstein near Schellkingen, Württemberg (pp. 384, 385), Kartstein near Eiserfey in the Rhine Province, and the caves of Klause in Bavaria. The fauna found in these deposits is invariably of the "cold" type.

So far, the best Mousterian station discovered in Bavaria is the cave of Schulerloch near the mouth of the Altmühl River and not far from Kelheim, which was thoroughly explored in 1914 by F. Birkner and J. Fraunholz. The cave was first occupied by beasts of prey, and subsequently by Palæolithic man, who left there, in witness to his prolonged habitation, over two thousand worked stone implements, mostly made of a coarse quartzite-like flint, their forms and workmanship typical of a fairly advanced Mousterian. Only a few small forms are reminiscent of the hand ax. The fauna includes the cave bear and the reindeer—both of which are abundant—together with the horse, cave hyena, woolly rhinoceros, woolly mammoth, ibex, red deer, bison, wolf, and moose (?) or giant deer (?).

Austria and Hungary, up to the present time, have afforded very few sites of Early Palæolithic industry. A Mousterian with degenerate hand axes has been found in the cave of Gudenus near Krems, and also in the plateau "loam" near Drosendorf, Lower Austria. At this last station no hand axes were found.

There is also a very typical Mousterian industry in the



cave of Šipka near Stramberg, Moravia. The primitive stone industry of the cave of Krapina in Croatia—so celebrated for its abundance of human skeletal remains—should be assigned, in all probability, to a period preceding the Mousterian. According to K. Gorjanovič-Kramberger, the principal fauna found there consists of the wild ox, cave bear, Merck's rhinoceros, wolf, bear (very rare), some kind of feline, Alpine marmot (rare and only found in the upper levels), horse (rare), wild boar, red deer, roe deer, and giant deer.

In eastern Europe the Mousterian is found in Poland in the cave of Wierzchow ("Grotto of the Mammoth") near Ojcow, and in the cave of Oborzyskowlkie. Close by Mount Smardzewitz a typical Early Acheulean industry lies beneath the loess, and another station of the same period is in the Gorge of Korytanja on the river Pradnik. J. Czarnowski has reported a third Acheulean site in the Pleistocene loam of Miechow. Like all northern Europe, the north of Russia was covered by ice, but Mousterian industry has been found in the Wolf Cave, near Simferopol in the Crimea, and there is also a station near Ilskaja in the province of Kuban in the Caucasus.

Careful study of the distribution of Early Palæolithic industry in Europe leads to the conclusion that the Chellean, characterized by a coarse and massive type of hand ax, is found only in Italy, Spain, France, and England, and is totally absent in central and eastern Europe (Figure 37). Such facts appear to justify the hypothesis that this industry was derived from the south through Asia Minor, Syria, and north Africa by way of the Mediterranean, and extended through Spain and Italy to western Europe.

At the same time a primitive Palæolithic is found in central and eastern Europe with a certain number of small flint implements, all coarse in workmanship, but with no hand axes. To this cultural phase—contemporary with the Chellean and Early Acheulean fauna (straight-tusked elephant and Merck's rhinoceros) and represented by the deposits of Taubach and Ehringsdorf in northern Germany—we have given the name of "Pre-Mousterian." It extended from eastern into central Europe, and its industrial complex



already contains "in germ" the prototypes and precursors of the true Mousterian, which is much more recent.

The Acheulean of the French school is characterized by hand axes of better workmanship and, in general, more flattened and refined in form. It is noteworthy that they are found exactly within the limits which apply to the Chellean. Beyond this boundary, that is to say, in central and eastern Europe, the only similar hand axes occur, as it were, *sporadically*. In Germany they are found in the cave of Klusenstein, the grotto of Lindental, at Hundisburg, and at Wustrow-Niehausen. Another region where they are somewhat more frequent is in Poland (p. 87). From all this it may be inferred that we are dealing with a *western* Acheulean which extended from north Africa through Spain as far as France, and from there—much less vigorous—reached to the Rhine. On the other hand, it is quite probable that a *southern* Acheulean, substantially identical with the western Acheulean, advanced from Asia Minor through the as yet unexplored Balkan regions as far as Hungary and Poland (Figure 37, arrows 1 and 2).

At other places in Germany, such as the cave of Klause near Kelheim, and at Kösten near Lichtenfels (both in Bavaria), there are found splendid deposits of Late Acheulean with types of the finest, worked on both sides and, in many cases, resembling a "pseudo-Solutrean." The same is not found in western Europe, although it is possible to indicate points of convergence, and therefore we believe there may be assigned to this region an *eastern* Acheulean, independent of the others. This would have extended from eastern Europe (Russia?), and in the latter half of its development it was imported to central Europe (Figure 37, arrow 3).

As regards the Mousterian it may be affirmed that it is found throughout Europe with the exception of the north. Hand axes are not entirely lacking, but in general are degenerate in form and shaped with little care. At present we think that the origin of this industry should be sought, not in the south, but in the *north and east* of Europe, and particularly in the region marked "Pre-Mousterian" zone in the map (Figure 37). It is extremely probable that this in-

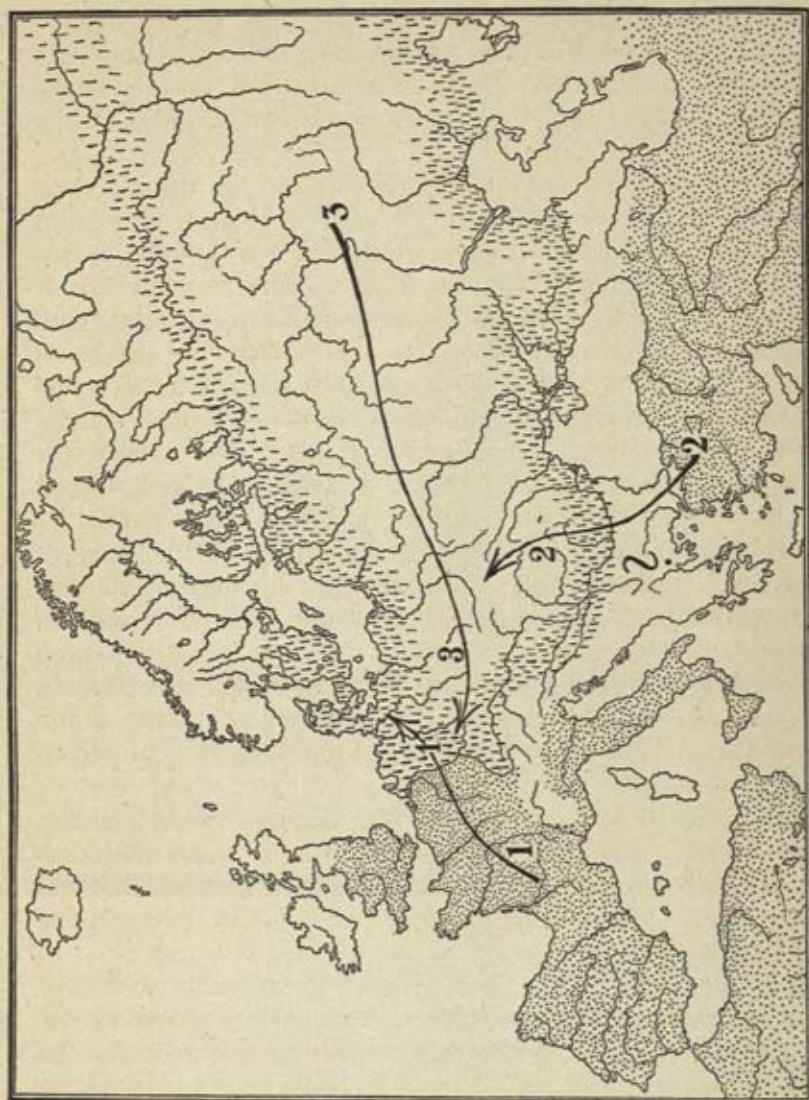


Fig. 37. Distribution and migration routes of Early Palaeolithic industries in Europe. Dots indicate the zone of Chellean industry with hand axes (*coups de poing*). Dashes indicate the zone of Pre-Mousterian industry with no hand axes. Arrow 1—western Acheulean. Arrow 2—southern Acheulean. Arrow 3—eastern Acheulean.



dustry developed slowly and gradually from the "Pre-Mousterian," and that later—after the Acheulean period—it extended to the southeast, south, and west of Europe as a distinct and characteristic archæologic stage. This migration probably took place in consequence of the invasion by the ice-fields of the last glacial stage, which impelled both man and beast to seek habitation much farther south than formerly.

This throws new light on the deposits at Taubach with warm climate, those of Wildkirchli, Switzerland, with mild climate, and those of Krapina, Croatia, with Merck's rhinoceros (pp. 85, 87), which consist of a stone industry *without* hand axes and presenting a superficial resemblance to the Mousterian. These deposits have been interpreted sometimes as Chellean, sometimes as Acheulean, and sometimes as Mousterian. Now we would incline to classify them simply as "Pre-Mousterian" or as a transitional phase from this to the true Mousterian, the date of which can be determined with any approach to certainty only through the fauna.

It is obvious that in Spain as in north Africa the hand ax and the Levallois types would persist longer and more vigorously than in the north. This is merely a consequence of the fact that the Mousterian industry reached these regions relatively late, and thus we frequently encounter a most surprising admixture of the small, fine types of the Mousterian with hand axes and large flakes relatively primitive and archaic in form.

It is certain that Africa during the Glacial Epoch was not covered with such vast tracts of desert as at present, but that at times the northern part was fed by numerous streams which formed regions of meadow and forest. Here there lived herds of *Bubalus* and wild horses, camels, dromedaries, and giraffes. There were deer, antelopes, and gnus, different kinds of elephants, rhinoceroses, and hippopotamuses, as well as bears, jackals, monkeys, hyenas, and leopards. In this environment lived Early Palæolithic man, whose industrial remains—Chellean, Acheulean, and Mousterian—are absolutely identical with those of Europe. Weapons of stone are found in great numbers distributed in superficial deposits of sands and gravels, in Algeria, Tunis, Morocco, and in the



desert as far as Timbuctoo. Ordinarily these implements are easily distinguished from those of the Neolithic. M. Boule announced the presence of a typical Acheulean in the ancient mud of the bed of Lake Karar near Remchi, Oran. There, beside *Elephas atlanticus* (the Atlantic elephant), are found remains of *Rhinoceros mauretanicus*, *Equus mauretanicus* (Mauretanian rhinoceros, Mauretanian horse), hippopotamus, wild boar, deer, gnu, mouflon, and *Bubalus antiquus*.

It is noteworthy that in Acheulean deposits in Algeria miniature hand axes are found, so finely worked and of such slender leaf form that their discoverer, M. Reygasse, did not hesitate to call them "Solutrean points." They, of course, have no connection with the much more recent Solutrean of Europe with its laurel-leaf points, and are not found even in the Mousterian of northern Africa. On the other hand, in the Mousterian a form is found which is peculiar to this region, namely, a hand point with a short, stout stem.

The desert region through which the Nile flows is also rich in discoveries of hand axes associated with other forms with a dark-colored patina, very pronounced. There can be no serious doubt of their Palæolithic age, since in many cases these flints worked by the hand of man are found embedded in the conglomerate of the Pleistocene terraces of the Nile.

Other discoveries have been made in Nubia, which, in connection with those above mentioned, lead to Somaliland, where fine Acheulean hand axes with a white patina are found washed out by the rains. It has not been possible to determine the geologic age of the hand axes from central Africa with any exactness. On the other hand, the discoveries made in South Africa, in Rhodesia, the valley of the Zambesi, the Transvaal, along the Orange River, and in Cape Colony, may confidently be classed as Pleistocene. These include Chellean, Acheulean, and Mousterian types, all possessing an ancient patina and many of them water-worn. Worked stones occur on the banks of the Orange River in conglomerate formed of an ancient outwash of gravel, and also on the Vaal River associated with remains of mastodon and Cape horse (*Equus capensis*).



In Asia a fine series of ancient hand axes and Mousterian implements has been discovered in Syria, in the region of the Jordan, near Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Nazareth, and the age of these superficial deposits can be exactly determined from the Acheulean hand axes found in northern Syria in some of the caves of Lebanon. Thus in the cave of Adlûn, together with Acheulean hand axes, there are remains of bison, Mesopotamian deer, primitive goat, and wild boar (*Bos priscus*, *Cervus mesopotamicus*, *Capra primigenia*, *Sus scrofa*), animals not now existing in Lebanon. Together with the above species, remains of cave bear, woolly rhinoceros, and horse have been found associated with a typical Late Acheulean industry in the breccias of Ras-el-Kelb; and the caves of Nahr Ibrahim contain an exceedingly fine Mousterian associated with remains of the bison. Similar industries occur in Asia Minor, Mesopotamia (Chellean-Acheulean of Djerabis on the Euphrates, and others), and in Transeaucasia, where J. de Morgan discovered some Mousterian deposits near Ali Ghez in the region of Eriwan. The material there employed by man was obsidian, which acquires such a pronounced patina as to make it easy to distinguish the ancient implements from later products found at the same place.

Still richer in discoveries is India (region of the Ganges and Indus, and southern India, Figure 38). Of the hand axes from here Edward B. Tylor wrote in 1869 that "they are in no way distinguishable from those of England." They are found actually in the great terraces of the Glacial Epoch, and the massive Chellean hand axes from Madras are much worn, while the fine Acheulean types are quite intact and sharp-edged, a fact which agrees surprisingly with the condition of Palæolithic deposits in northwestern France.

From northern Asia Savenkov was able to show a fine series of hand axes from the loam terraces of Afontova on the left bank of the Yenisei, west of Krasnoyarsk. These were associated with remains of the mammoth, woolly rhinoceros, reindeer, and bison. And finally, our list is completed by discoveries made in Indo-China, Ceylon, and Japan.

Traces of the Early Palæolithic in America are as yet

much disputed by a great number of sceptical investigators. Most of the early descriptions presented a medley of really ancient material and much more recent stone implements, without any critical distinction. We would call attention to the limited investigation made in 1891 by M. Boule and A.



Fig. 38. Chellean hand axes of quartzite from Madras, India, in the British Museum, London.

*Reduced in size.*

Gaudry at Trenton, New Jersey. The "Trenton gravel" found here is certainly of Pleistocene age and contains hand axes and also Mousterian types of indisputable antiquity, associated with remains of the Ohio mastodon, woolly mammoth, musk ox, and reindeer. The same may be supposed in regard to various similar discoveries in the United States, made independently, which present an industry absolutely identical with that of the French stations, as, for instance, the discoveries made at Claymont, Delaware, and at Medora, Jackson County, Indiana.

Central America has afforded typical discoveries in superficial deposits, and also in some cases hand axes embedded in gravels and associated with remains of elephants, which have been found in the provinces of Chihuahua and Durango, northern Mexico. Amygdaloid hand axes from ancient de-



posits—but without fauna—have also been found in South America in Brazil, Argentina, and Patagonia.

Australia remains the only continent where, as yet, stone implements of certain Pleistocene age are entirely lacking.

Thus we arrive at the interesting conclusion that in Pleistocene times there already existed a primitive stage of the Early Palæolithic which with remarkable uniformity extended over the whole earth. From this uniformity of industry which can be demonstrated in all quarters of the earth, it follows that there must have been a corresponding uniformity of mentality in that remote humanity, which may well have been able to create those elemental types in separate places at one and the same time, independently of interchanges or of any foreign intrusion. It has been proved—and on this we must insist—that this aggregate of culture is Pleistocene, which does not necessarily involve its being universally contemporaneous, strictly speaking.

Various peoples of Asia, Africa, America, and Australia are even yet in this primitive “stage of worked stone”; and there are even tribes which either have not yet completely attained the inventory of implements known to the ancient Chelleo-Mousterian culture, or else have proved incapable of preserving it. The latter condition would naturally be especially likely in regions where the struggle for existence was comparatively easy.

Although the study of primitive man in Europe itself—of all continents the most thoroughly explored—has been able to throw but little light upon the first steps of humanity, there can be no doubt that at least it has afforded a number of valuable data.

The European of Pre-Chellean times lived with no settled habitation, as a wandering hunter. Various stone implements—rude but numerous—helped him in a struggle for existence which demanded his extremest efforts against the menace of a huge and dangerous fauna. We know nothing of what progress he may have made in such matters as making weapons of wood, plaiting and weaving, or the dressing of pelts.

But there can be no doubt that in the utilization of implements of stone Pre-Chellean man had already attained a

cultural stage in advance of certain tribes of the present time who live in extreme isolation, as, for instance, the pygmies of central Africa, the Andaman islanders, the Semangs of Malacca, the Negritos of the Philippines, and such Asiatic pygmy tribes as the Veddahs of Ceylon, the Senoi of Malacca, the Kubus of Sumatra, and the Toala of Celebes. They know little or nothing of the use and fashioning of stone, and therefore their implements are made of wood, bone, or shell, thus constituting a "Pre-Palæolithic" stage of culture. According to W. Schmidt, the Andamans do not even know how to produce fire. In view, therefore, of the conclusions afforded by modern ethnography, it is safe to assume the probable existence of cultural stages still more ancient and primitive than the Palæolithic (p. 16).

From Chellean man, we find, are derived all the principal forms of stone implements, both large and small; and the use of fire was also certainly known to him (Torralba, Spain). The Acheulean hand axes are in truth masterly implements, such as are sought in vain among primitive tribes of present times. The most ancient Mousterian seems to mark the birth of an inclination for ornament (shells and minerals) and for coloring matter to paint the body—a cultural stage similar to that of the Tasmanians and various existing Australian tribes such as the Kurnai and Chepara.

The sepultures of Early Palæolithic man throw much light upon the evolution of his psychology. The age of the most ancient sepulture at Le Moustier should be Early Mousterian if we trust to the description of the discoverer, because at this site, above deposits of great antiquity, there were others more recent of the type of Abri Audi. The individual buried here was a youth who—according to O. Hauser and others who took part in the excavation—was found in the attitude of sleep with the right side of the face resting on the elbow of the right arm, and the hand clasping the head, beneath which was a pillow-like mound of small fragments of flint. Near the left hand were a hand ax and a scraper, both of Mousterian type, which should probably be considered as funeral offerings. This arm was extended alongside the body.

In 1908 a discovery of the greatest importance was made



by the Abbés A. and J. Bouyssonie and L. Bardon in the small grotto of La Bouffia-Bonneval, near La Chapelle-aux-Saints, Corrèze. This consisted of the sepulture of a man, also in the attitude of sleep and with the right arm upraised. The associated fauna included the woolly rhinoceros, reindeer (frequent), ibex, and others, while the industry indicated a Middle Mousterian.

To this same Mousterian stage belongs the family sepulture of La Ferrassie, Dordogne, which was discovered by D. Peyrony in the years 1909-1911. One of the adult skeletons lay on its back with the trunk slightly inclined to the left and the legs strongly flexed. The body had been first laid upon the ground, without any trench being made to hold it, but the head and shoulders had been surrounded and protected by slabs of stone. The fact that certain parts of the body are missing—probably carried off by wild beasts—leads to the supposition that the rest of the body may have been covered with skins, or a frame of branches. The second skeleton was that of a woman, strongly flexed—that is to say, with arms folded and laid upon the breast, and legs pressed against the trunk—a position indicating that the body must have been fastened or bound. Two children lay buried in small trenches.

The two skeletons of Spy in Belgium may be attributed to the final Mousterian, and were also, apparently, true sepultures. They were discovered by M. de Puydt and M. Lohest in 1886, with associated fauna consisting of the mammoth, woolly rhinoceros, reindeer, cave bear, cave hyena, and others.

These sepultures are trustworthy evidence, precious documents which witness to the existence of a very ancient cult of the dead, united with a belief in another life after death. Intermixed with this belief were sentiments of fear and terror, as is evidenced by the forcibly flexed position of the body at La Ferrassie (Chapter V, *palæo-ethnological résumé*). J. Bouyssonie insists on the presence of a trench near the children's sepultures filled with ashes and large bones, chiefly those of the wild ox. Similarly at La Chapelle-aux-Saints there was a trench which contained the horn of

a bison, and another in which were found large bones of the same animal.

Are these cases of immolated offerings or of funeral feasts? Or do they perhaps signify that the grave was placed under the protection of an animal "totem" of great strength?

The skeleton of La Quina, Charente, associated with a typical Mousterian industry, lay embedded in a muddy deposit, which probably led to the supposition that it was a case of drowning. May one venture the suggestion that this might be a funeral rite, consisting of the exposure of the dead in water?

The skeletal remains of Krapina in Croatia, fragmentary and partly calcined, which are at least of Mousterian age, indicate cannibalism, which might have originated rather from psychic than economic motives.

As to the comparatively frequent discoveries of isolated human bones, they may be interpreted in various ways, but it seems not impossible that in certain cases they indicate "manism" (a cult of ancestors), or else talismans of magic or protection.

None of the industrial stages of the Early Palæolithic seems to have been indigenous to Europe, in the true sense of the word.

As yet we know nothing of the degree of importance attained by the various secondary and regional industrial developments, nor in what proportion the later ex-European influences contributed to their successive evolution. Be that as it may, there is so great a difference between the types and fine workmanship of the Late Acheulean and those of the primitive Mousterian, that it is impossible to suppose the latter derived from the former. The Mousterians of western and central Europe belong to a new people, Neanderthaloids, who were not directly related to the Acheulean tribes.



## CHAPTER V

### LATE PALÆOLITHIC INDUSTRIES

*Fauna of the Late Palæolithic—Dwellings—Game and the chase—New methods of hunting—Industrial stratification of Le Ruth and Laussel—Characteristics of Late Palæolithic industries—Discoveries in France—Aurignacian industry—Subdivisions and typical forms—Solutrean industry—Subdivisions and typical forms—Bone needles—Magdalenian industry—Climate and fauna—Subdivisions and typical forms—Harpoons—Distribution of Late Palæolithic industries—Origin of the Aurignacian—Distribution of the Aurignacian in western and central Europe—Distribution of the Aurignacian in the Mediterranean region—Africa and the Capsian industry—Egypt—Syria—Italy—Southern Russia—Origin of the Solutrean—Distribution of the Solutrean in central Europe—Distribution of the Solutrean in western Europe—Origin and distribution of the Magdalenian—Western Europe—Switzerland—Germany—Austria, Moravia, and Hungary—Palæo-ethnological résumé—Dress and personal ornament—Amulets and charms—Ceremonial staves or "Bâtons de commandement"—Idols and fetiches—Totems—Dances—Witchcraft, magic, and animal cults—Hand silhouettes—Cult of the dead—Sepultures—Sepultures in crouching position—Other burial customs—Interment in two stages—Cult of skulls.*

IF we except southern Europe, where Merck's rhinoceros is found coexistent with the Early Aurignacian, the entire Late Palæolithic civilization developed in a cold climate. This is shown by the fauna of the sites in France and in adjacent countries to the east, which includes the woolly mammoth, woolly rhinoceros, cave bear, cave lion, cave hyena, horse, wild ox, bison, stag, and giant deer. The reindeer and other members of the Arctic-Alpine fauna are not so frequent during the Aurignacian and Solutrean stages, which indicates that these stages enjoyed a more moderate climate intervening between the maximum cold of the Mousterian and of the Magdalenian.

Primitive man during this period still frequented camps in the open, especially on the mounds of loess, where his deserted encampments were soon buried beneath a covering of dust. But if occasion presented men did not despise the

caves: on the contrary, they preferred them as dwellings, since from there they could sally out to the foray or the hunt. Their favorite game was the reindeer, of which there were great herds. The flesh and suet provided them with food, the tallow with light and heat, the hide with clothing and covers, the horns and bones served various industrial purposes, and the guts and tendons were used for cord and thread. There is nothing to confirm the supposition that this animal, or the wild horse, either, was domesticated or partly domesticated. The domestication of these two large animals would have been possible only with the help of the domesticated dog, which was absolutely unknown during the Pleistocene. Other animals besides the reindeer were hunted, among them the deer, wild horse, and wild ox, while the chase of the pachyderms was somewhat decreased.

This fact is due not so much to the mammoth and rhinoceros becoming gradually scarcer as to a change in the methods of hunting. The coarse stone implements of the Lower Palæolithic no longer exist, being replaced by an industry of very fine flints. Still more abundant was the manufacture of weapons effective at a distance against sly and furtive game—lance points made of bone, horn, or ivory adapted to a very generalized use. The use of bow and arrow is proved by many representations in mural pictures, as, for instance, the archers of Alpera, etc., eastern Spain, and the Aurignacian archer of Laussel, France (Figures 55, 107; Plate IX). But this does not imply that hunting by means of traps and pitfalls fell into disuse, since the methods of hunting would certainly continue to be adapted to the nature of the game and to the topography of the hunting grounds.

Whenever the cave dwellers deserted a grotto the remains from their food and industry lay around in disorder until buried beneath detritus from the cave, loam, or stalagmitic deposit, where they remained like archives sealed by the hand of Nature, who thus preserved these marvels for future generations.

As typical examples of industrial stratigraphy we will cite here two sections from stations in Dordogne.



## I. The cave of Le Ruth, explored by D. Peyrony.

|          |                      |         |
|----------|----------------------|---------|
| <i>g</i> | Superficial detritus | 1.50 m. |
| <i>f</i> | Early Magdalenian    | .10 m.  |
|          | Sterile layer        | .70 m.  |
| <i>e</i> | Late Solutrean       | .70 m.  |
| <i>d</i> | Early Solutrean      | .60 m.  |
| <i>c</i> | Proto-Solutrean      | .10 m.  |
|          | Yellow sterile layer | .20 m.  |
| <i>b</i> | Late Aurignacian     | .60 m.  |
|          | Sterile detritus     | .60 m.  |
| <i>a</i> | Middle Aurignacian   | .75 m.  |
| Base     | Detritus and sand    |         |

## II. The shelter of Laussel, excavated by G. Lalanne.

|          |                                |  |
|----------|--------------------------------|--|
|          | Detritus and superficial humus |  |
| <i>i</i> | Late Solutrean                 |  |
|          | Sterile layer                  |  |
| <i>h</i> | Early Solutrean                |  |
|          | Sterile layer                  |  |
| <i>g</i> | Late Aurignacian               |  |
|          | Sterile layer                  |  |
| <i>f</i> | Middle Aurignacian             |  |
|          | Sterile layer                  |  |
| <i>e</i> | Early Aurignacian              |  |
|          | Sterile layer                  |  |
| <i>d</i> | Late Mousterian                |  |
|          | Sterile layer                  |  |
| <i>c</i> | Middle Mousterian              |  |
|          | Sterile layer                  |  |
| <i>b</i> | Early Mousterian               |  |
| <i>a</i> | Late Acheulean                 |  |
| Base     | Rock and detritus              |  |

Average total thickness, 4.50 meters. We have here cited only those strata which lie in direct superposition, leaving out of consideration a few which extend laterally.

Although the Late and Early Palæolithic stand in close relation to each other as regards their dividing line, yet we cannot believe that the Aurignacian of western and central Europe was directly evolved from the Mousterian and in the same district. It seems rather to be the commencement of a complete and fundamental transformation or modification

of the elements of industry, corresponding with the entrance of new and superior racial elements.

As remarked, the beginning of the Late Palæolithic marks the disappearance of the earlier technique of working stone. In place of the large hand axes and flakes, generally broad and clumsy, there appear the typical "blade" industries characterized by long, narrow blade-like implements, more

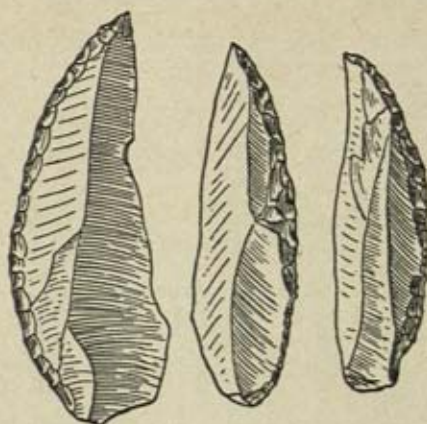


Fig. 39. Early Aurignacian points of Châtelperron type. After H. Breuil.

*Two-thirds actual size.*

or less prismatic, and by variants of these. Some of these, such as the simple blade shapes, blade-shaped planing tools, etc., are *common to all the stages of the Late Palæolithic*. Others belong exclusively to certain stages, and in consequence these special types are of the greatest value in the identification of these stages. Mousterian forms, such as the "hand points" and scrapers, are found quite frequently in the Early Aurignacian, and it is noteworthy that they do not disappear until analogous forms appear in the later stages. They are almost always simple and clumsy in form, and consist of pseudo hand points, pseudo hand axes, etc., of little importance in the general scheme of the Late Palæolithic.

There can be no doubt that the greater part of these implements of flint, as well as those of horn and bone, which now appear, were hafted. It is sufficient to study ethnological



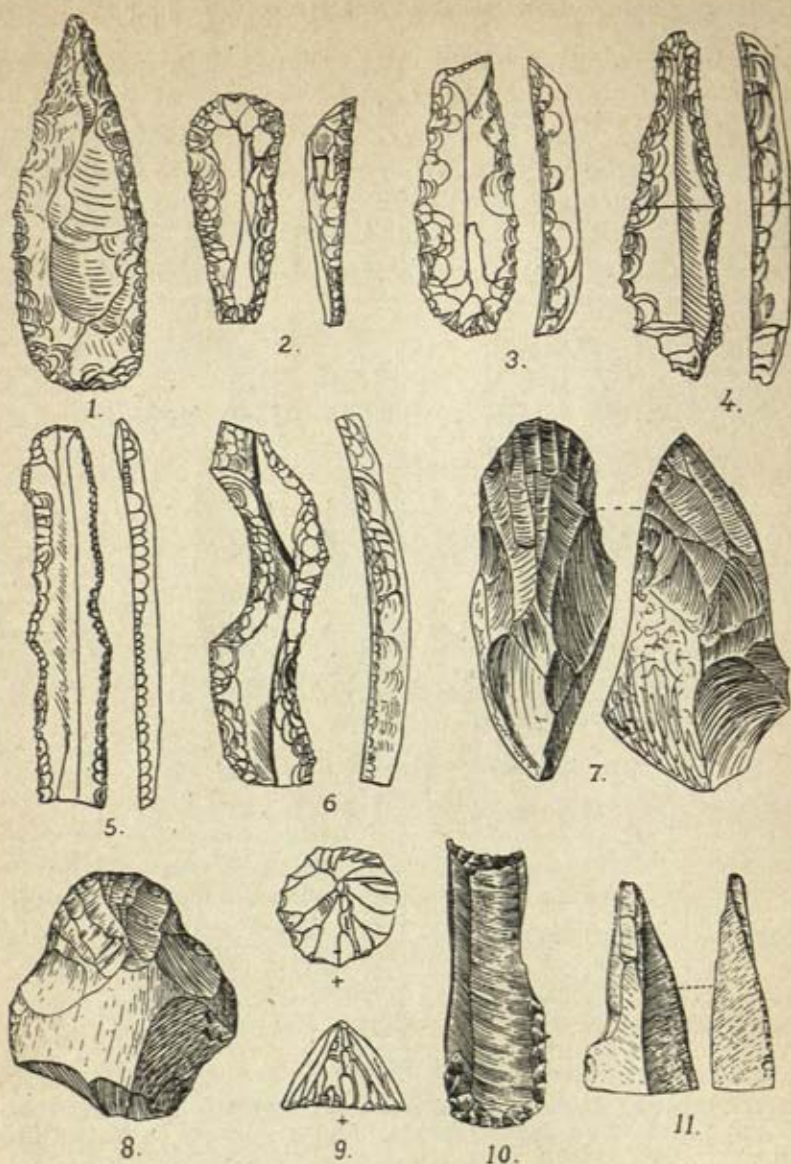


Fig. 40. Characteristic types of Middle Aurignacian flint implements. After H. Obermaier and H. Breuil. 1-4 Blades with heavy marginal retouch. 5, 6 Notched blades. 7, 8 Keeled scrapers. 9 Cone-shaped scraper. 10 Borer with transverse retouch. 11 Borer with central point.

*Two-thirds actual size.*

collections, chiefly from the Australians, Melanesians, Polynesians, Bushmen, and Eskimos of the present time, to get an idea of the manufacture, application, and probable use of the tools and weapons of our ancestors of the Glacial Epoch.



Fig. 41. Bone points with cleft base belonging to the Middle Aurignacian. After H. Breuil.

*Two-thirds actual size.*

As the accepted standard for all classification of the Late Palæolithic we will first consider the discoveries made in France.

The Aurignacian industry derives its name from the cave of Aurignac in Haute-Garonne, and the commencement of this stage is the phase of Châtelperron, equivalent to Early Aurignacian. It is characterized by an industry which still betrays Mousterian tendencies, and in part by certain new types, among them the point with curved back of the Châtelperron type (Figure 39).

Of more importance is the Middle Aurignacian, during



which the making of flint blades reached its climax. This industry includes the following characteristic types: large blades with strong marginal or entire retouch, blades with one or more incurved notches, and many gravers—especially the type with rounded point produced by light taps which leave the reverse impression of the removed flakes with their characteristic grooves or channelings. Other notable types are the keeled, conical, and humpbacked planing tools, and the constricted blades (Figure 40). Among the implements of horn and bone (awls, polishers, etc.) especial mention may be made of the "Aurignacian cleft point," a type with a narrow cleft at the base (Figure 41).

The Late Aurignacian is marked by a notable degeneration of the Aurignacian retouch. In addition to the gravers with curved point there are also polyhedral and prism-shaped gravers. Among the forms most characteristic of this phase are the pedunculate point of La Font-Robert and the typical point of La Gravette, which consists of a blade of which the margin—generally the right edge—is grooved vertically the whole length of the implement. The incurved notch on this edge, which extends from the base about a third of the entire length, leads finally to the type known as the "Aurignacian shouldered point" (Figure 42).

The Solutrean industry is so named from the chalky rock of Solutré near Mâcon, Saône-et-Loire. In this stage a great change is observable in the technique of retouch. Instead of the marginal retouch so much in vogue throughout Aurignacian times, there appears the typical retouch of the whole surface, effected through the removal of fine scales of flint by means of pressure.

In the Proto-Solutrean, the forms of which are not yet perfected, this retouch makes its modest appearance and is employed only partially on the implements, a prominent type being the "Solutrean leaf-point" with one side flat and unworked.

The climax of this industrial stage is found in the Early Solutrean, distinguished by the "laurel-leaf point," carefully worked on both sides.

In the Late Solutrean this form gradually degenerates, while the characteristic form is the "Solutrean shouldered

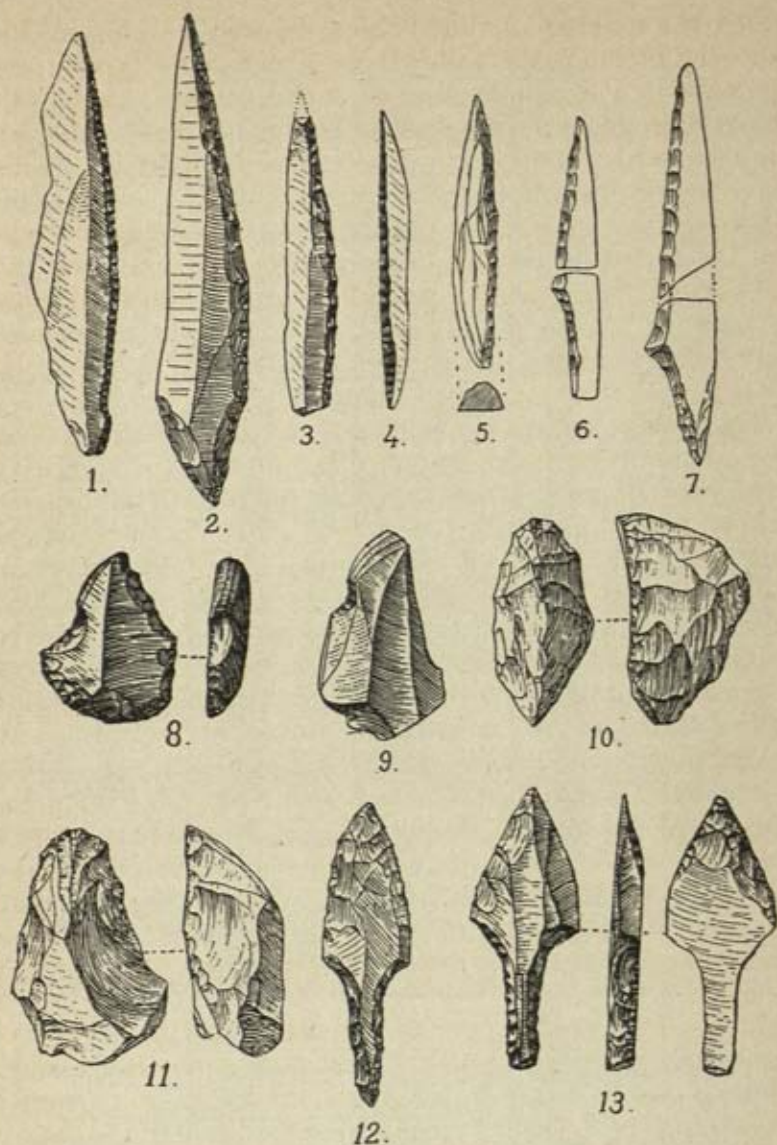


Fig. 42. Characteristic flint implements of the Late Aurignacian. After H. Breuil and J. Bonyssonie. 1-5 Points of La Gravette type. 6, 7 Atypical shouldered points. 8, 9 Curved borers. 10, 11 Keeled scrapers. 12, 13 Stemmed points of the type of La Font-Robert.

*Two-thirds actual size.*



point." The form of this last is the same as that of the "Aurignacian shouldered point" of the Late Aurignacian, but there is a marked difference in the retouch, which, in true Solutrean style, extends over the entire upper surface of

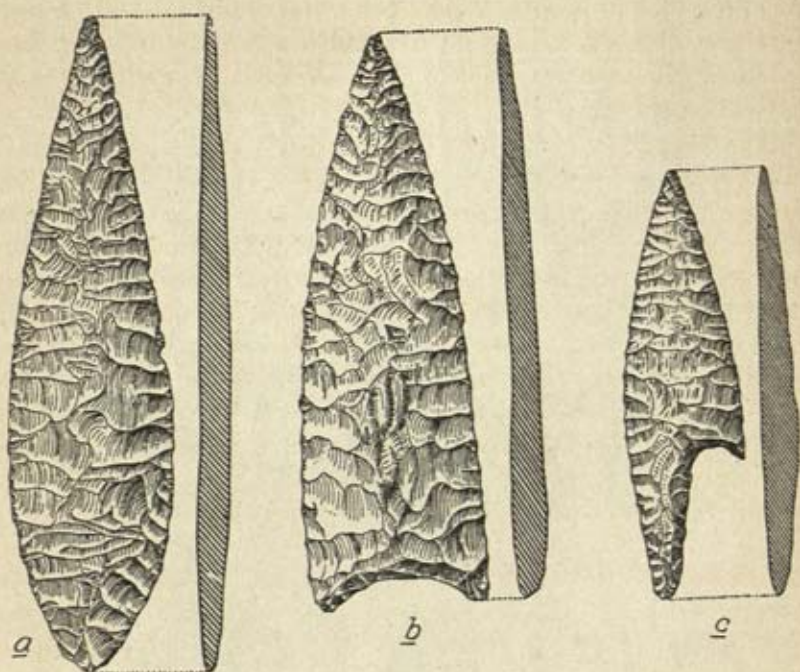


Fig. 43. Typical forms of Solutrean implements. *a* Laurel-leaf point. *b* Laurel-leaf point with concave base. *c* Shouldered point. *Three-fourths actual size.*

the implement (Figure 43). The industry in bone experienced a decided setback throughout the entire Solutrean, and only at its close is the inventory extended by the rare occurrence of fine bone needles with eyes.

As already remarked, the Magdalenian industry was contemporary with the last incursion of the cold, during the Post-glacial Stage. In the first half of this stage the cave bear, woolly mammoth, and woolly rhinoceros began to disappear, while the reindeer and the remaining Arctic-Alpine fauna prospered considerably. Given the presence of such

members of the "cold" fauna, it need occasion no surprise that the musk ox and the banded lemming penetrated as far as Dordogne, which is now blessed with such a mild climate. During the second half of the Late Magdalenian there is a notable amelioration in climate, the last animals peculiar to the Pleistocene become extinct, the surviving species repair to their present areas of distribution, and in central and western Europe the present forest climate begins, little by little, to prevail.

The Magdalenian is the culminating point of the nomad civilization of our predecessors of the Glacial Epoch. The Mecca of this archæologic industry is in southwestern France, where is also the rock shelter of La Madeleine, Dordogne, from which this stage was named. According to the most recent investigations, the Magdalenian may be divided into a number of phases. The best and most typical forms of the industry are the implements of bone and horn. In the earliest phase, which was probably the longest, no true harpoons are found, except for a few archaic precursors. At the beginning there are massive smoothed javelins with very broad base, generally finished with a simple bevel. Later these are replaced for the most part by forms round in transverse section, and ending either in a simple bevel or in a rounded point. The close of this phase is marked by the predominance of short small forms. These javelins, polishers, spindles, etc., are ornamented with rows of dots, designs in lines, zigzag lines, dotted, circular, and spiral designs. At the beginning of this Early Magdalenian many of the flint implements are quite primitive, resembling a poor Late Aurignacian industry, but shortly there appear elegant blades, blade-shaped planing tools, gravers with lateral point, "parrot beaks," blades with grooved back, denticulate blades, and others, together with microliths shaped with the greatest care (Figure 44).

Typical of the Late Magdalenian are the harpoons, which, in their turn, are classified into differing phases. In the beginning are found primitive harpoons with small barbs; then follow more advanced types with one row of sharp-pointed barbs; and finally there come the harpoons with a double row of barbs. The latest forms are represented by



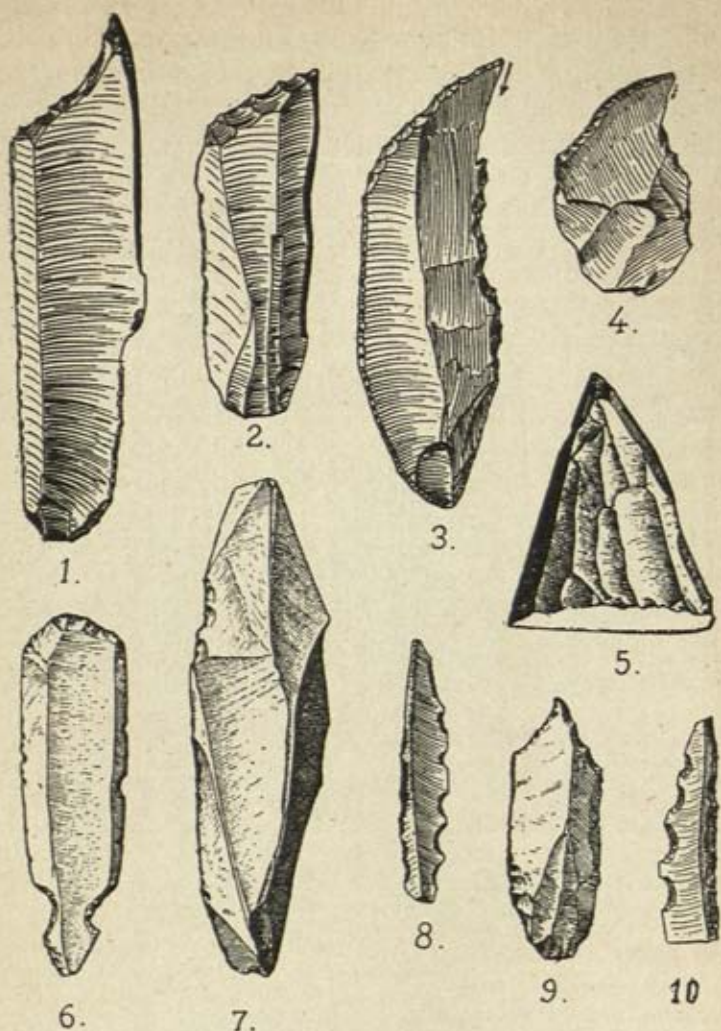


Fig. 44. Typical forms of Magdalenian flint implements. After H. Breuil and others. 1, 2 Graving tools (burins) with point at one side and a transverse retouch. 3, 4 "Parrot-beak" graving tools. 5 Nucleus-formed planing tool. 6 A "flake" planing tool. 7 Graving tool with central point. 8, 10 Denticulate flakes with blunted backs. 9 Borer.

*Three-fourths actual size.*

specimens with sharply angulate barbs and by precursors of the Azilian harpoon, broad and large (Figure 45). Among Late Magdalenian implements are often found



Fig. 45. Evolution of the harpoon during Magdalenian times. After H. Breuil. *a, b* Archaic prototypes. *c, d* Harpoons with a single row of barbs. *e, f* Harpoons with a double row of barbs. *g, h* Degenerate types of the final Magdalenian.

*From three-fifths to two-thirds actual size.*

points with the upper end terminating in a double bevel in which a point was set but not fastened (Figure 46). The designs adorning these implements have been, in part, taken directly from an animal model, and show a series of heads, conventionalized horns, etc. (Figure 99). Noteworthy also is the revival of certain Aurignacian types in flint, such



as the pseudo points of La Gravette, pseudo planing tools, and atypical pseudo shouldered points. This apparent revival is due only to the accident of convergence.

Finally, among the products of Magdalenian industry are

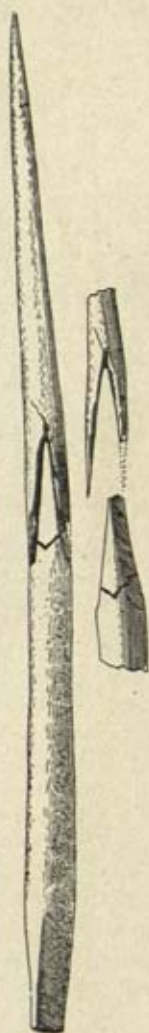


Fig. 46. Combined spear points of stag horn from the cave of La Paloma, Asturias. After E. Hernández-Pacheco.  
*Two-thirds actual size.*

found fine needles, delicate bracelets, cylindrical chisels, awls, polishers, and furthermore the "propulseurs" or dart throwers (Figure 47). Of the commander's or ceremonial staff (*bâton de commandement*) we shall speak later (Figure 58).



Fig. 47. Dart thrower (*propulseur*) of reindeer horn, the upper end fashioned into the head of an anthropomorph, from the cave of Lorthet, Ariège, France. After a photograph.

*One-half actual size.*



While the Early Palæolithic extended over the entire earth, it would appear that the Late Palæolithic was no more than a Mediterraneo-European civilization. (The Late Palæolithic in Spain is treated in Chapter VI.) Moreover, even within these geographic limits the Late Palæolithic presents wide variations, while outside them its existence has not yet been clearly and definitely established.

The commencement of this new culture was undoubtedly owing to an invasion of Aurignacian tribes who destroyed the Neanderthal race in Europe, thus effecting a revolution of great importance to human culture. Very tempting is the supposition which places the center of formation for these new elements in the Mediterranean region, but this is no more than a hypothesis, the truth of which can be demonstrated only by means of thorough investigations in the eastern Mediterranean.

So far as our present knowledge goes, there seem to be two distinct centers of Aurignacian culture: the first in western and central Europe, and the second in the Mediterranean region.

The Aurignacian region of western and central Europe includes, besides France, the northern part of Spain, Belgium (A. Rutot names this phase "Montaiglian"), and England, where Aurignacian industry has been found in the cave of Paviland, Glamorganshire, on the west coast of Wales. This region extends east of the Rhine through all central Germany, where the Aurignacian is admirably represented in the cave of Wildscheuer, near Steeten on the Lahn, Rhine Province; in the caves of Sirgenstein, near Schelklingen (pp. 384, 385), and of Bockstein, near Langenau, in Würtemberg; and in the cave of Ofnet, Bavaria. There are also many Aurignacian stations in the loess of Lower Austria in the valley of the Danube between Melk and Vienna. Mention may be made of the station of Willendorf, excavated by me in 1908, where a section of loess twenty meters thick was found to contain no less than nine archæologic strata, embracing the entire evolution of the Aurignacian industry and separated one from another by sterile strata. The fauna included the woolly mammoth (frequent), woolly rhinoceros, cave lion, lynx, wolf, fox, Arctic fox, bear, wolverine, hare,

wild boar, bison, ibex, chamois, Saiga antelope (?), reindeer, stag, giant deer, and horse. The upper stratum, belonging to the Late Aurignacian, contained a figurine eleven centimeters in height, made of porous limestone, well preserved and with traces of pink color. It represents a nude woman with largely developed breasts and hips but no true



Fig. 48. Stone statuette from Willendorf, Lower Austria. After a photograph.

*About two-thirds actual size.*

steatopygy. The hair is arranged in concentric circles around the head; the face, on the other hand, is quite ignored. The legs and arms are very meager, being of secondary interest to the artist. The only ornament represented is a sort of bracelet indicated by coarse dots on the forearm (Figure 48). At Krems, a market town near Willendorf, on the road called "Hundssteig," only the Middle Aurignacian is found, but that is very abundant. Farther eastward this phase is found in Hungary at the stations of Magyarbodza near Brassó, the cave of Pálffy near Detrekő-Szentmiklós, and the cave of Istállóska in the Bükk Mountains; and it also extends as far as Poland.

It is probable that the slight traces found at the cave of



Malkata Peschtera near Tirnova, and at the cave of Morovitza near Teteven—both in Bulgaria—are also of Aurignacian age.

The Aurignacian of the Mediterranean region seems to have its center of distribution in the northwestern part of Africa—a region comparatively well known, thanks to the labors of Pallary, Gobert, Breuil, de Morgan, and Boudy—and there can be no doubt that this culture also extended into Spain (Chapter VI).

The Aurignacian of Africa is known as the Capsian, a name derived from Gafsa in Tunis. It immediately succeeds the Mousterian, which here also is absolutely identical with that of Europe.

Subdivisions of the Capsian are as follows:

- a* Early Capsian—corresponding to the Aurignacian of Europe.
- b* Late Capsian—a post-Aurignacian which represents an evolution independent of the Solutreo-Magdalenian of Europe, but parallel to and synchronous with it. This is again divided into two regional groups, the Ibero-Mauretanian of western Algeria (called the "Ibero-Maurusien" by French specialists) and the Getulian of eastern Algeria and southern Tunis.

The Early Capsian strongly resembles the typical Aurignacian of Europe, and consists of an admixture of Early and Late Aurignacian industries together with types of Châtelperron and Gravette; whereas it is known that in central Europe these industries are separated from each other by deposits of the Middle Aurignacian.

From this industry is evolved the Late Capsian with its extraordinary geometric stone implements, large bone needles, and curved blades made of ostrich eggs, passing thus into the Azilian and Proto-Neolithic. Commencing with these phases may be observed indications of a dry climate, which from then on become more and more pronounced, while the bones of mammals begin to occur but rarely. The principal food supply consists of molluscs, similar to those now found in the same country, which appear in great numbers after a rainy winter.

Traces of Late Palæolithic man are also found in Egypt. M. Blanckenhorn believes he has met with such in various flint workshops on the middle terrace of the Nile; and P. Sarasin and H. S. Cowper attribute to the same origin the series of geometric stone implements which they collected from the surface of the desert near Heluan. Although as yet little definite is known in regard to the separate discoveries, it should also be mentioned that in South Africa there has recently been found an industry of blades, of Late Palæo-



Fig. 49. Bone harpoon from the Palæolithic breccias of Antelias, Syria. After R. Describes.  
*Three-fourths actual size.*

lithic aspect, associated with skeletal remains of two extinct species of antelope, related to the gnu and to Pallas's antelope (*Antilope Pallas*).

A second Mediterranean center of dispersal seems to have been in Syria, the scientific exploration of which is due chiefly to Father G. Zumoffen. The cave of Nahr el Kelb and that of Antelias near Beyrut contained a well-developed Aurignacian of Early Capsian type. This industry includes keeled planing tools, lateral gravers, La Gravette points, and primitive implements of bone. The accompanying fauna



—stag, horse, Dama deer, roe deer, bison, panther, bear, wild boar, wild goat, and antelopes—is essentially of forest type, which leads to the supposition that at that time great forests extended from Lebanon to the coast. It is surprising to find here large and rather coarse harpoons of somewhat more recent date (Figure 49). The cave of Muraret el-Abed, not far from Dibl in upper Galilee, discovered by P. Karge, also belongs to the Early Capsian. To the close of the Capsian are assigned various stations in the open with small geometric forms of flints which cannot be considered as belonging to the true Neolithic, and which often lie in deposits completely separate from those of the age of polished stone.

A third and important Mediterranean center of dispersal was Italy. In the south, typical Aurignacian deposits are found in the cave of Romanelli, Otranto, and in the Grotta all' Onda near Camajore, Lucca. In the north is the classic locality of Grimaldi near Mentone, a district very rich in caves. The grottos "Des Enfants," of "Cavillon," of "Barma Grande," and of "Baoussou da Torre" contain in their abundant deposits a typical Aurignacian with a great number of sepultures (see the palæo-ethnological résumé in this chapter). The fauna is characteristic of a cool climate and includes the woolly mammoth (?), horse, wild boar, wild ox, bison, stag, roe deer, Dama deer (?) [*Cervus (Dama) somonensis*], moose, reindeer, ibex, chamois, wolf, bear, cave bear, cave hyena, cave lion, leopard, lynx, hare, beaver, and Alpine marmot. At the base is still found Merck's rhinoceros (see pp. 399 and 408). The associated industry in the aggregate is unquestionably Late Aurignacian. H. Breuil very properly draws attention to the fact that to it must be added certain geometric forms in flint, and some small circular planing tools which tend to become Azilian in type, or are at least evolving in that direction.

The discoveries in southern Russia should be regarded with caution. The Palæolithic stations in the loess of Kiev and Mezine, on the banks of the Desna (Tchernigov), and in other places, correspond to a prolonged and degenerate Aurignacian which, in reference to northern Africa, might be termed Late Capsian. The fauna includes the reindeer,



musk ox, wolverine, Arctic fox, woolly mammoth, and woolly rhinoceros. If we also take into account the extraordinary artistic features of which we shall presently speak (Chapter VII), there would be nothing singular in the existence of a Late Palæolithic peculiar to eastern Europe, which appears to be related to that of the Mediterranean region rather than to that of central and western Europe.

As an isolated discovery in Asia belonging to the Late Palæolithic, mention may be made of the station of the "Mammoth Hunters" at Tomsk with its industry of atypical blades. The remarkable discoveries of hand axes in India do not exclude the hypothesis that no true Late Palæolithic industry existed here, and that the partly polished, Proto-Neolithic hand axes of this region were directly evolved from the hand axes of the Early Palæolithic.

Thus we assign to the Aurignacian only a very restricted area of distribution, while, on the other hand, the Mediterranean phase—without evolving through the stages of the Solutrean and Magdalenian—follows its own course towards the Azilian. Of this culture we shall speak in Chapter X. From all this it follows that the extension of the succeeding cultures of the Solutrean and Magdalenian was even more limited.

Thanks to the fortunate discoveries made by E. Hillebrand in Hungary, there can be no doubt that the Solutrean originated in eastern Europe. In the caves of Szeleta, Balla, Kiskevény, and Pálffy is found a "Primitive Solutrean" with crude and poorly developed precursors of the laurel-leaf point. In the cave of Pálffy below this Early Solutrean lies a typical Aurignacian; and in the caves of Szeleta, Jankovich, and Puskaaporos above this "Primitive Solutrean" lies a typical Solutrean with typical laurel-leaf points. These facts prove that it was here that the evolution of the Solutrean took place. Shouldered points were as yet unknown. From Hungary the Solutrean culture extended into Poland (Cave of Wierzchow), Austria (Zeltsch-Ondratitz and Millowitz), and Moravia, where especial interest attaches to the station of the "Mammoth hunters of Předmost." The list of fauna from this site is given elsewhere (p. 388). In the loess together with this fauna there was found a very abun-



dant industry in stone, showing very decidedly the influence of the Late Aurignacian; but in due time there appear associated with it a number of laurel-leaf points.

The industry in horn is scarce, consisting of a few plain perforated staves ("bâtons de commandement"). The industry in bone is better represented, especially in articles of ivory. Especially noteworthy are seven statuettes representing seated persons. They are made of the metatarsals and metacarpals of the mammoth, are exceedingly crude in workmanship, and average thirteen centimeters in height. A carving in ivory represents a mammoth, and on a thin piece of ivory is etched the conventionalized figure of a woman (Figure 100). This conventionalization is in the form of a geometric ornament, and the whole design betrays the typical eastern influence in European art.

K. Maška also found at Předmost a group sepulture which contained fourteen complete human skeletons. There were no accompanying artefacts except a collar composed of fourteen ivory beads which adorned the skeleton of a child. Scattered here and there were found a few remains of six more individuals.

Of the same age as that of Předmost should be the sepulture at Brünn, Moravia. Here, in 1891, embedded in the loess at a depth of four and a half meters, was found a male skeleton which lay in a bed of ocher. Many artefacts were associated with it, among them a masculine idol in ivory about twenty-one centimeters high (Figure 50).

The Solutrean industry probably reached Austria through a migration of tribes with this culture crossing central Europe and following the course of the Danube. Thus it is found in the caves of Klause near Essing, and in the caves of Ofnet, both in Bavaria; in the cave of Bockstein and at Kannstatt in Würtemberg; and from there extending into central and southern France. Here there was formed a center of Solutrean evolution—secondary, indeed, but very important. The laurel-leaf point is very frequent in this region, except that it is not found east of the Rhone, and is almost entirely lacking in the lofty inland district of the high valleys of the Pyrenees. It would seem that here the Solutrean was replaced by a "delayed Aurignacian" (not

a "Pre-Magdalenian") preceding the true Magdalenian, which, however, in all probability, had its origin in this very region.

The Solutrean also extended along the Atlantic and Medi-



Fig. 50. Ivory statuette from Brunn, Moravia. From a photograph.  
*One-half actual size.*

terranean coasts into northern Spain, where it gave rise to certain new and local types which are described in Chapter VI. On the other hand, up to the present time it is entirely unknown in Italy and the other Mediterranean regions,



where not the slightest authentic trace of it has been found—a fact confirmed by H. Breuil. In northern France it is of rare occurrence, and Belgium and England<sup>1</sup> seem to have been little influenced by this culture. It should here be emphasized that even in the region of the typical Solutrean industry in France its aspect of an alien origin is so striking that there can be no doubt why the natural evolution of the Late Aurignacian is interrupted. The “atypical” shouldered point disappears for a time, to reappear subsequently to the Early Solutrean, transformed by the Solutrean re-touch into the “typical” shouldered point.<sup>2</sup>

In contrast to the distribution of the Solutrean, which it has been shown took place from the east westward, that of the Magdalenian seems to have progressed from the west eastward. Its extension is approximately the same as that of the Solutrean. H. Breuil feels convinced that the appearance of this culture is due to the advent of new peoples. Be this as it may, any idea of Mediterranean origin may be dismissed, since it is much more probable that the Magdalenian had its rise in the French Pyrenees. From this center it advanced into Périgord, extending its branches into the Catalanian and Cantabrian regions of northern Spain. This stage is well represented in central and southern France, but occurs less frequently in northern France, as also in Belgium and England.<sup>3</sup>

Central Europe played an important part in this civilization. In Switzerland three geographic districts can be distinguished. The first is in the southwest near Lake Geneva, its most notable site being that of Veyrier with five perforated ceremonial staves (“bâtons de commandement”) ornamented in part with designs of plants. The second district, in the northwest, includes the valley of the Birs between Basle and Delsberg, where six caves have been found with deposits of Late and final Magdalenian. The industry is simple and the fauna embraces the Arctic fox, bear, cave bear, tailless hare, banded lemming, horse, wild ox, wild boar, reindeer, stag, roe deer, ibex, Arctic hare, Alpine marmot, and others. There is not the slightest sign of the woolly mammoth and woolly rhinoceros. Also of great importance are the stations in the third district, in the north-

east near Schaffhausen. These are the caves of Freudental, Schweizersbild, and Kesslerloch. The deposits at Schweizersbild, which unfortunately were not excavated by the best method, have afforded a great number of implements of flint, horn, and bone, among them two perforated ceremonial staves and fifteen fragments of such, ornamented with designs representing the reindeer, wild horse, and wild ass. More abundant are the instances of representative art in the cave of Kesslerloch near Thaingen. (For the fauna, see p. 384.) The "Grazing Reindeer" is a masterpiece, and worthy companion pieces are the designs of the wild horse and some sculptures, among which is one representing the head of a musk ox (Figure 11).

In Germany up to the present time some thirty Magdalenian sites are known, almost all of them in caves. Stations in the open are very rare, but among them may be named that of Oberkassel with two sepultures and some carvings in bone, and that of Andernach near Coblenz, where the deposits were found above a stream of congealed lava. Fine bone implements were found here and also the representa-

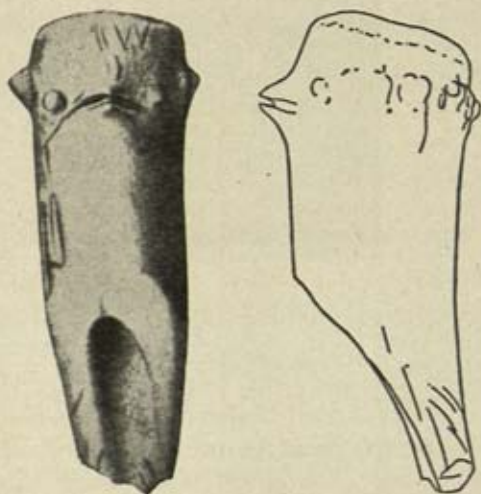


Fig. 51. Bird carved out of stag horn, from Andernach on the Rhine.

After R. R. Schmidt.

*Two-thirds actual size.*



tion of a bird carved in stag horn (Figure 51). Worth mention is the site of Schussenquelle in Württemberg, which was embedded in tuff. In Bavaria the caves of Klause at Essing, near Ratisbon, contained an abundance of beautiful imple-



Fig. 52. A flat piece of limestone with designs painted in red, from the cave of Klause near Neu-Essing, Bavaria. From a photograph.  
*Two-thirds actual size.*

ments of stone and horn, and also painted tablets of stone (Figure 52). In addition there are excellent designs in outline, and especially remarkable is a perforated ceremonial staff on which is carved an extraordinary mask, half animal and half human.

Austria is not very rich in Magdalenian sites; nevertheless, mention must be made of the scanty inventory of the cave of Gudenus, near Krems, on the banks of the Danube. In Moravia are the caves of Kostelik and Kulna with some obscure designs. In Hungary various caves with rare Magdalenian deposits have recently been described. From the



Fig. 53. Men's headdresses, from the Palæolithic rock paintings of eastern Spain. (Compare Figs. 54 and 55.) *a* From Val del Charco del Agua Amarga, Teruel. *b* From Alpera, Albacete. *c* From Cueva de los Caballos, Castellón. *d* From Alpera, Albacete. *e* From Cueva Rull, Castellón.

*Reduced in size.*

cave of Maszycka in Poland comes a remarkable series of awls with geometric ornamentation very similar to the Late Magdalenian ornamentation of France.

From the inventory of forms, and from the works of art, it is possible to recognize several regional groups. Thus the Magdalenian of northern Spain contains harpoons and etchings on shoulder blades which are peculiar to this district; the designs with incised outlines are very rare except in their center of evolution in southern France; and finally, certain engravings from Moravia have no parallels in the west.



Even though we admit a striking psychologic resemblance between Late Palæolithic man and primitive people of the present; and although it is true that the modern shafted



Fig. 54. Men's body adornments shown in Palæolithic rock paintings in the province of Castellón. After H. Obermaier and P. Wernert. *a* From the cave of Saltadora. A hunter with adornments on head, middle, and legs. *b* From the Cueva del Mas d'en Josep. A hunter with adornments on the back, middle, and one knee. *c* From the cave of Saltadora. A hunter with knee ornaments. *d* From the Cueva del Mas d'en Josep. A hunter with adornments on head, middle, and knees.

*Reduced in size.*

lances, the implements of carved wood, the many-colored shields, the strange idols, the mural paintings, the extraordinary ornaments, and the rare masks found in ethnological collections do indeed, to a certain extent, resemble the products of the culture and art of Late Palæolithic man; it

is none the less evident, notwithstanding, that this division of the Palæolithic, both in art and in industry (referring especially to the exquisite workmanship in stone, and to the work in horn and bone), shows such an advanced stage of development that its equal would be sought in vain among primitive tribes of the present.



Fig. 55. Archers shown in the Palæolithic rock paintings of eastern Spain. After H. Obermaier and P. Wernert. *Above:* From the cave of Saltadora, Castellón. *Below:* From Alpera, Albacete.

*Reduced in size.*



Much light is thrown upon the subject of personal ornament and dress by the mural paintings of eastern Spain (Chapter VII) and by various artefacts found in the sepulchres. The "ladies" of Cogul and Alpera (Figure 110 and Plate XII) wear singular caps and bell-shaped kirtles. The



Fig. 56. Quiver with bow and arrows, a basket and a staff, painted in rose on the rock of the cave of Saltadora, Castellón. After H. Obermaier and P. Wernert.

*Actual size.*

hunters represented in the shelters of Barranco de Valltorta and Alpera show varying forms of headgear. Some consist merely of ornaments of feathers, shells, or perforated teeth; others are genuine caps, sometimes with tassel or side flaps; and again there are headdresses in the form of animals' ears (Figure 53). The ornaments shown on the arms are generally in the shape of clumsy rings, and those on the legs are often in the shape of thick twisted wheels or of flowing ribbons (Figure 54). Wide bands, sometimes fringed, are also seen depending from the neck or shoulders of various warriors. More frequent is an adornment of the hips, which was certainly worn in the form of a large girdle, sometimes double, and hanging down in front and back (Figure 54).

The many pictures of archers show that they made bows and arrows of different sizes and shapes, as well as quivers, pails, and baskets (Figures 55, 56).

A picture very similar is offered by the sepulchres of the

same stage. Some of the skeletons interred in the caves of Grimaldi had upon their heads caps or nets on which shells had been sewn. Other ornaments were collars, very elaborate stomachers, bracelets, and decorative bands around the knees. In the same place two children had been interred with apron-like garments over them on which shells had been sewn. Similar funeral regalia, as well as bracelets of ivory and the use of coloring matters, were also found at other sites (Figure 57).

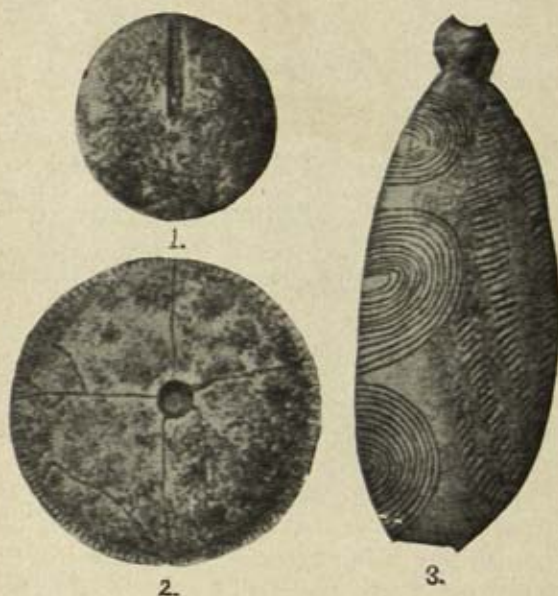


Fig. 57. Ornaments of ivory, perhaps used for body adornment, from photographs. 1, 2 From the Solutrean sepulture at Brünn, Moravia. 3 From the Solutrean site of Předmost, Moravia.

*Three-fourths actual size.*

Throughout this stage there continued the enthusiasm for "collecting curiosities" already mentioned among the customs of the Early Palæolithic. These treasures consisted of round pebbles, variegated stones, beautiful minerals, fossils, etc. This does not exclude the fact that many perforated pendants, thin flakes of bone and stone, the perforated teeth of animals, and the statuettes of animals were exclu-



sively used as ornaments. Also primitive man in the present time cumbers himself with amulets, means of witchcraft and of protection of all kinds. A similar interpretation should doubtless be given to a great part of these Palæolithic absurdities. It is also possible that the drawings and engravings on harpoons and awls were not always simply for ornament or to mark ownership, but may have been magic



Fig. 58. Perforated staves (*bâtons de commandement*) of reindeer horn. *Above*: A specimen from the cave of La Madeleine, Dordogne, France, with engravings of wild horses. After Lartet and Christy. *Below*: A specimen from the cave of Placard, Dordogne, with the carving of a fox's head. After H. Breuil.

*Reduced in size.*

signs, protective against adverse influences and designed to insure success.

An extraordinary feature is the occurrence of ceremonial staves (*bâtons de commandement*) made of the antlers of stag or reindeer and adapted to the shape of these organs (Figure 58). These objects have a hole—sometimes several—in the lower end. They are found in the Aurignacian, but those of the Magdalenian are of better workmanship and often decorated with engravings or carvings. They have been explained as insignia of dignity or office, as handles of slings, as tent pegs, as shaft or arrow straighteners, etc. It is not impossible that the earlier forms may have had some practical use, but later, as the type became more deli-

cate, they seem to have been exclusively "sacred." The artistic decorated staves of the Magdalenian were objects altogether too ornamental and fragile to have served such ordinary and trivial purposes. They may rather be regarded—in accordance with Bernardin (1876), E. Cartailhac, and S. Reinach—as magic staves serving the objects of magic, conjuration, or consecration, similar to the stone "clavas cefalomorfas" of Chile and Argentina, which protect the owner, announce good or bad events, wars, etc. In the same category we include certain small and artistic dart throwers which, if used for purely practical purposes, would surely have been broken (Figure 47).

The various statuettes and reliefs representing masculine and feminine forms, from Brassempouy, Mentone, Laussel, Willendorf, Brünn, and Mezine, may confidently be interpreted as religious idols or fetiches. With primitive realism the sexual characters in these are strongly accented, and there are also found a number of separate representations of phallus or vulva. We should not be justified in assuming that such customs of primitive peoples imply only an unbounded sensuality, for to them procreation was a great enigma and their representations of the phallus, etc., have almost always a magic (=religious) signification. The exaggeration of the penis in the masculine figures of Alpera, Cogul, etc., may perhaps be due in some cases to the use of protective coverings for the organ being worn by the hunters.

It is very possible that the pictures of animals represent in many cases animal "totems" with which a clan believed itself to be related.

The dance of Cogul, in which nine women dance around a small naked man (Plate XII, Chapter VII), is not the only one of its kind. Other representations are also known of persons dancing, who appear to be wearing animal masks, such as the three persons masquerading in the skin and head of the chamois at Abri Mège, Dordogne, an anthropomorphic figure with horse's head at Lourdes, and others with animal heads from Marsoulas, Hornos de la Peña, Altamira, etc. (Figure 59). A striking ethnographic similarity is found between these and the animal disguises and fan-



tastic masked dances which are of such great importance in the religious ceremonies of certain primitive peoples of present times. In consequence we are inclined to believe that the peoples of the Late Palæolithic also held magic dances, whether to conjure away maleficent influences or calamities, to pay honor to the animal totem, or perhaps to celebrate the



Fig. 59. Anthropomorphic designs. *a* On a small flat piece of bone from Mas d'Azil. After E. Piette. *b* Engraving on rock in the cave of Hornos de la Peña, Santander. *c* On a "bâton de commandement" from Abri Mège. After H. Breuil. *d, e* Engravings on rock in the cave of Combarelles. After H. Breuil.

*Reduced in size.*

reunion of some secret society. This hypothesis by no means excludes the possibility that many of these designs represent purely imaginary beings or "spirits."

Unquestionably the mural paintings of the caves bear witness to the existence of a magic of the hunt, protective magic, and animal cults. Our opinions on the psychologic basis of these paintings are discussed in Chapter VII; for the present we will merely refer to the negative silhouettes of hands found on the walls of certain caves in western Europe,<sup>4</sup> which are outlined in red or black (Figure 60). All of them belong to the Aurignacian.<sup>5</sup> They consist of hands—sometimes the right, sometimes the left. Only one child's hand is known. A surprising feature is that, among the many hands shown, there are some with fingers "amputated," as if they had been cut at one of the joints. Similar

reproductions of hands are found among the primitive peoples of America and Australia. It is difficult to determine the significance, now completely forgotten, of this ancient custom. Could it perhaps have had the force of a visible witness in confirmation of treaties or consecrations? It is



Fig. 60. Hands silhouetted against a color, from the cave of Castillo.

After H. Breuil.

*Reduced in size.*

also of interest to find that primitive peoples of the present are acquainted with the mutilation of the fingers. Phalanges are cut off as a symbolic sacrifice offered to the departed, as a means of curing some dear one who is sick, or in sign of mourning. It is also known that this operation is performed in Australia as a form of magic. Youths who have undergone it are reputed to be especially lucky in fishing. Perhaps



the mutilation of fingers in Palæolithic times may have been the result of similar customs and of beliefs kept alive either by secret societies, or by tribes, or by women.

The cult of the dead during the Late Palæolithic presents a wide variety of development.

The Aurignacian "Grotte des Enfants" near Mentone (p. 116) contained, at a depth of 8.70 meters, the skeleton of a young man lying on his back. Later there had been interred close to him the body of a woman in crouching position with the legs and arms flexed and pressed closely against the body (Figure 61). This body lay face down. Somewhat higher, at a depth of 7.50 meters, lay another male skeleton in supine posture. There were also the remains of two children at a depth of 2.70 meters, and of a woman at a depth of two meters.

The neighboring "Grotte de Cavillon" contained at its base a "package" of human bones with ocher, and in addition, at a depth of 6.55 meters, the skeleton of a person lying in sleeping position upon the left side and on a bed of ocher.

In the cave of "Barma Grande" Abbo discovered at a depth of 8.40 meters a masculine skeleton lying upon the back and with the head heavily encrusted with ocher. At the same level was found the sepulture of a man, a woman, and a youth for whose bodies a trench had been dug and its bottom covered with ocher. The same coloring material had also been strewn over the bodies, which lay in sleeping position. Lower down the surprising discovery was made of another body which lay beneath a great pile of stones. Another skeleton lay at the base of the cave in crouching position and partly incinerated, which appeared to have been placed upon a bed of ashes. Finally, the cave of "Baoussou da Torre" contained in its deepest deposits the remains of a child placed face down; there was also a poorly preserved masculine skeleton at a depth of 3.90 meters, and another sepulture at a depth of 2.75 meters. The last two individuals had also been covered with ocher.

Among other human remains and sepultures of Aurignacian times may be mentioned the five skeletons of Crô-Magnon, another at Combe-Capelle, Dordogne, some sepultures at Solutré, Saône-et-Loire, in which the persons lay

slightly inclined toward the right or left, and, finally, the masculine skeleton from the cave of Paviland, Glamorgan-shire, England.



Fig. 61. Double sepulture at the base of the Grotte des Enfants near Mentone. After R. Verneau.

To the Proto-Solutrean belongs the skeleton of a crippled individual found at Laugerie Haute, Dordogne.<sup>6</sup> The individual in crouching position lying face down, found at Laugerie-Basse, belongs to the Magdalenian (Figure 62).



Another Magdalenian sepulture in Dordogne is that of Raymond near Chancelade, the skeleton found there being in crouching position and covered with ocher. To complete the list there must be added the sepulture of Duruthy near Sordes, Landes, the skeleton of Les Hôteaux, Ain, interred upon its back, and the skeleton of Cap-Blanc, Dordogne.

These remains were sometimes placed in made trenches; in other cases the bodies were laid upon the ground and some of them directly upon the hearth. Here the dead took up his habitation, and accordingly the survivors departed. In many cases stones were placed around the remains; and very often devoted offerings of ornaments, weapons, and tools bear witness to the belief of the Palæolithic cave men that these would be of use to the departed in the life beyond. It is noteworthy that the women—at least in many cases—enjoyed equal consideration with the men, and also that tender affection is evinced toward the children.

In contrast to the bodies laid out in the position of peaceful sleep are those in the forced crouching position which has already been noted in the Early Palæolithic (p. 96). This leads to the supposition that these people believed that at least a part of their dead departed this mortal life with disgust, that they found the life beyond sorrowful, and were full of affliction and of inappeasable envy of those who had had the good fortune to survive them, in consequence of which the spirits of the dead were able to molest or hurt their survivors.

The forced flexing and binding of the dead is practiced by many primitive peoples of present times in order to prevent forever the return of the dead or of his spirit to earth; and there can be no doubt that it was partly or entirely owing to similar ideas that some of the Palæolithic skeletons were bound in crouching position, and that others were loaded down with great stones or, as a special precaution, placed upside down. Given this marked ethnographic similarity between Palæolithic man and primitive peoples of the present—the recognition of which similarity is due to modern ethnography—it appears very possible that various funeral customs were practiced during the Late Palæolithic in the same region and by the same people, and that the mode of

sepulture in crouching position was reserved for persons who might suffer from special kinds of illness or death, or perhaps for certain clans or social classes (Figure 62).



Fig. 62. Sepultures with the body in flexed or crouching position. After E. Cartailhac, R. Andree, Nelson, and Fritsch. *a* Magdalenian sepulture at Laugerie-Basse, Dordogne. *b* Recent sepulture at Adelaide, Australia. *c* Recent sepulture in Natal, South Africa. *d* Recent sepulture in the Yukon region, North America.

The "mortuary bed" of ocher, a mineral which in the course of alteration colors the bones pink, is quite frequent. It may be noted here that the Narrinyeri of southern Australia anoint their dead with red ocher so that they may



resemble the Sun God of bright red color, toward whom they journey.

During the Late Palæolithic "trenches of offerings" were also made (p. 96) at the side of the body. Such is the case in the masculine sepulture of Paviland, the complete head of a mammoth with the tusks being found in the trench. Near the sepultures of Crô-Magnon there were also found some elephant tusks.

In the author's opinion, there is as yet no convincing proof that actual cremation of the remains was practiced. Those cases in which the remains have been found to be scorched may be attributed to the custom, practiced in a number of instances, of depositing the body directly on the ashes of the hearth, and the consequent incineration cannot be shown to have been either intentional or complete.

Ethnology affords many instances of the custom of interment in two stages. After the remains have been left in the earth for a sufficient time exposed to decomposition, they are exhumed. The bones are then cleaned, the skull adorned and painted, and only after this performance is completed is the interment definitely accomplished and the spirit able to enter the realm of the dead. In view of this practice being frequent among primitive peoples of the present, the above-mentioned "package of bones" from the Grotte de Cavillon gains immensely in interest. It also affords an easy explanation of the frequent discoveries of incomplete remains or of isolated skulls. Here we will refer only to the skull of a woman, absolutely isolated, found in the Magdalenian deposits of the cave of Placard, Charente, and lavishly adorned with shells.

Perhaps from the interment in two stages there resulted a genuine cult of skulls, and it is not impossible that in many cases the skulls found were formerly mummied heads, perfectly prepared and adorned. Very significant also are the bowls made of skulls which were found in the Solutrean and Magdalenian deposits of Placard (Figure 63), Langerie-Basse, and Castillo. Perhaps these remains may have been those of friends or enemies, of kinsmen or of heroes, and thus may have served either as trophies or as talismans. It is still more likely that they served as chalices or vases of

a cult which attached great importance to the act of drinking from them. It is also possible that some of the frequent discoveries of isolated lower jaws may be explained in relation to a cult of the departed or to practices of magic.

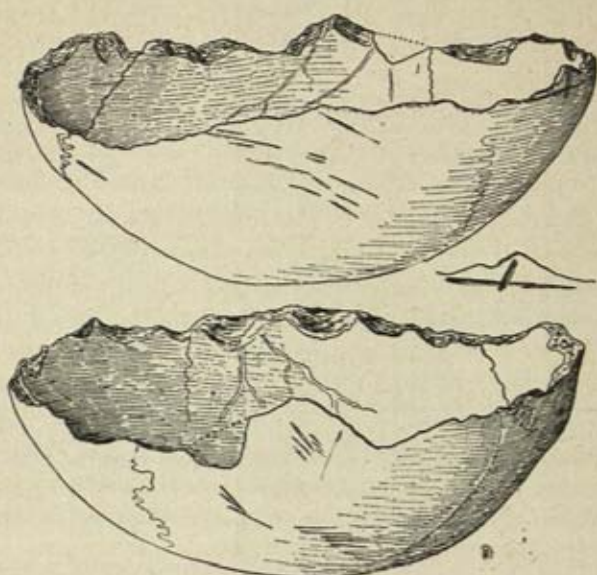


Fig. 63. Bowls or drinking cups fashioned of human skulls, from the cave of Placard, Charente. After H. Breuil and H. Obermaier.

As is readily seen, the problems and questions in regard to this subject are far more numerous than the solutions. And furthermore, the facts of modern ethnology of which we have availed ourselves are after all no more than analogous or similar facts which should be applied only with great conservatism. Be that as it may, it is nevertheless possible to deduce that in the Late Palæolithic there were already many widely varying religious manifestations, and also that the psychology of these strange primitive men was already exceedingly complex.



## CHAPTER VI

### THE IBERIAN PENINSULA DURING THE GLACIAL EPOCH

*Geology of the Iberian Peninsula—Glaciation in the Pyrenees—Cantabrian Mountains—Asturias and Leon—Iberian Mountains—Serra da Estrella—The Central Cordillera—Sierra de Béjar—Sierra del Trampal—Sierra de Gredos—Sierra de Guadarrama—Sierra Nevada—Fossil animals—Present mammal fauna—Mammals of the Glacial Epoch—Early Pleistocene fauna—Late Pleistocene fauna—"Cold" faunas—Fauna of the Balearic Islands—Climatic conditions during the Pleistocene—Glacial Stages—Interglacial Stages—Climate and fauna—Volcanic activity—Archæology—Palæolithic sites of northern Spain—Palæolithic sites of central Spain—Palæolithic sites of southern Spain—Palæolithic sites of eastern and northeastern Spain—Palæolithic sites of Portugal—Distribution of Chellean industry—Distribution of Acheulean industry—Distribution of Mousterian industry—Origin of the Early Palæolithic industries—Late Palæolithic industries—Early Capsian—Middle Aurignacian—Late Capsian—Distribution of Solutrean industry—Character of Solutrean industry—Distribution of Magdalenian industry—Character of Magdalenian industry—Conclusions.*

**T**AKING into consideration the great extent of the country and the comparative deficiencies of modern maps, it will be seen that the geologic study of Spain is indeed a difficult task. Nevertheless, there are a number of important works on the subject, many of which treat of the Glacial Epoch. We would refer the reader to the seventh volume of L. Mallada's *Explicación del Mapa Geológico de España*, 1911, in which there is a detailed résumé of the extensive researches made in Spain in this branch of geology (1, 2, 3—numbers in parentheses refer to bibliographic list given in the Appendix). The systematic investigations begun by C. de Prado were fortunately continued by S. Calderón, J. Macpherson, F. N. Delgado, F. A. de Vasconcellos, J. Vilanova, G. de Mazarredo, and others, and have since been amplified and extended by modern specialists. Nor should it be forgotten that foreign investigators such as Chevalier, Depéret, Drasche, Kilian, Leymerie, Mengel,

Penck, Quelle, Rérolle, Schmieder, and others have also contributed their efforts toward throwing light on the very important question of the geology of Spain during the Glacial Epoch.

The glaciation of the Pyrenees was notable, even though the glaciers did not extend beyond the mountain range, as they did in the Alps, where the glaciers covered all the surrounding country. On the northern (French) slope of the range the limit of perpetual snow was then from 1300 to 1500 meters above sea level in the west, 1700 meters in the central region, and 2000 to 2200 meters in the east.

The extent of the glaciers was considerably greater on the northern slope than on the southern (Spanish) slope, where, however, traces of glaciers have been found by M. Braun, M. Chevalier, C. Depéret, L. Gaurier, M. Gourdon; L. Mallada, O. Mengel, A. Penck, Roussel, L. M. Vidal, and others.

The earliest report on the glaciation of the Spanish Pyrenees is that of Angelot (1840). For later and more extensive studies we are indebted to A. Penck (4), whose investigations covered the western part of the central mass of these mountains. According to him there is evidence of the former existence of the following large glaciers:

*Glacier of the Gállego River*—its foot reaching to about a mile and a quarter below Biescas, about 800 meters above sea level.

*Glacier of the Ara River*—foot reaching to about a mile and a quarter below Broto, about 850 meters above sea level.

*Glacier of the Cinca River*—foot approximately below the "Paso de las Debotas," about 700 meters above sea level.

In the summer of 1918 I myself had occasion to visit the principal adjoining valleys to the eastward, and obtained the following results:

*Glacier of the Esera River*—foot reaching about to Sahún, about 1000 meters elevation.

*Glacier of the Noguera Ribagorzana (Noguera de Barrabés) River*—foot to the south of Vilaller, at an elevation of 1000 meters.

*Glacier of the Noguera de Tor River*—foot to the south of Barruerra, at an elevation of 1100 meters.



*Glacier of the Flamisell River*—foot to the south of Torre de Capdella, at an elevation of 1060 meters.

From the place now known as Andorra flowed the *Valira Glacier*—its foot extending not far from Santa Coloma and to the south of Andorra la Vieja, at an elevation of 1000 meters.

No positive data are as yet obtainable for the region farther eastward. In the central region above referred to, the snow line during the Glacial Epoch has been estimated at 1700 to 1800 meters.

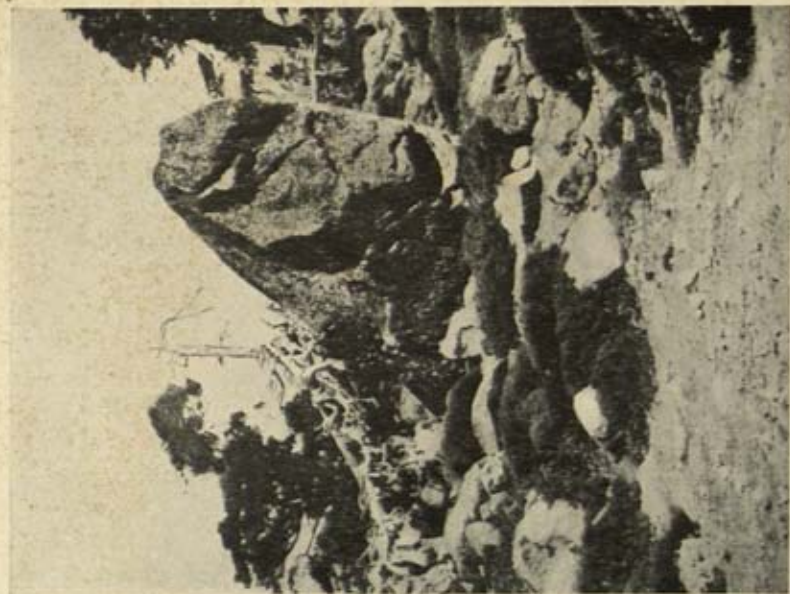
In contrast to these, the Cantabrian Mountains, on account of the neighboring ocean, experience much greater humidity and precipitation, which is also evidenced in the study of their glacial geology.

Their greatest elevation is the group known as the Picos de Europa (2642 meters), which, together with P. Wernert, I studied in 1914 (5). In the eastern massif in the region of Andara, in addition to a number of small hanging glaciers there was the notable *Glacier of Urdón*, which ended not far from the village of Tresviso, at a height of 750 meters. From the wild ravines and gorges of the central massif, the *Deva Glacier* flowed out to the south, with its terminal moraines not far from Pido at an elevation of 930 meters; while to the north flowed the united *Duje* and *Lloroza Glaciers*, ending not far from Sotres at a height of 900 meters, as well as the steep *Bulnes Glacier*. The latter flowed into the ice-filled gorge of the Cares Brook and ended near Arenas de Cabrales not far from Poncebos, at about 250 meters. Naturally, in addition to these main ice-flows, there were also a number of small hanging glaciers.

Heavy glaciation occurred also in the western massif, known as the Picos de Cornión, which I studied thoroughly during the summers of 1919 and 1920. The coastward slope of the mountains, crowned by the towering peak of Peña Santa de Enol (2479 meters), was covered by a solid sheet of ice from which the following glaciers branched out: in the northeast the *Casaño Glacier*, ending at 850 meters; to the north and northwest the *Escalero Glacier*, with the Lake of Enol and the Lake of Ercina, ending at 820 meters, the *Abejera Glacier*, ending at 930 meters, the *Redemoña Glacier*,



Bed of the Pleistocene glacier of Bulnes, Picos de Europa, Spanish Pyrenees. A U-shaped valley further eroded and deepened into the present gorge of the river Bulnes.



An erratic block. Peñalara in the Sierra de Guadarrama, Spain.





ending at 950 meters, and the *Busteguerra Glacier*, ending at 900 meters. The southern slope, dominated by the Peña Santa de Cain, gave rise to the westward-flowing *Dobra Glacier*, which ended at a height of 650 meters in the valley of Angón near the village of Amieba, shortly after uniting with the extensive *Joulloengo Glacier* on the right, at the Majadas de Cedemal, at an elevation of 760 meters. The principal sources of the Dobra Glacier were from the Garritas, the Torre del Torco, the Peña Santa de Cain, the Cueto Albo, and the Peña Bermeja (2391 meters), but it was also fed from the Pico de Samaya and the Pico Jarrio, lying farther to the south and properly not included among the Picos de Cornión.

The snow limit of the latest glaciation must have stood at 1400 to 1500 meters above sea level. Traces of an earlier and severer glaciation are found in the former lake basin of Comeya, which was dammed back by a more ancient Escalero Glacier, the water-washed moraines of which can be traced as far as the entrance of the present gorge of Mestas (about 750 meters).

The branch of the Cantabrian Cordillera running parallel with the northern coast includes a whole series of peaks over 2000 meters high, which in the main must certainly have been ancient centers of glaciation. Especially important for future investigations in this respect are the Sierra de Isar and the Peña Labra, as well as the Peña Curavaeas, Peña Prieta, Espigüete, and Pico de Mampodre, lying to the east and south of the Picos de Europa; and the Braña Caballo, Canto Cabronero, Peña Ubiña, Peña Rubia, and Pico de Cuiña, lying westward from the same. Such high peaks are not again encountered until we reach the southern limits of our boundary mountains, as in the Sierra Segundera (1793 meters) and the Sierra Cabrera, on the glacial conditions of which W. Halbfass, F. Aragón, and J. Taboada Tundidor (6) have published brief reports. The mighty frontal moraines of the *Tera Glacier* surround the Lake of Castañeda and lie at a height of about 1000 meters above sea level, which, in estimating the snow limit of glacial times, should be regarded as a maximum rather than an average figure.



The glaciation of the Iberian Mountains has been recently studied by my pupils, J. Carandell and J. Gómez de Llarena (7). Traces of glaciation are very slight in the Sierra de Neila, but somewhat more pronounced in the Sierra de la Demanda (2134 meters), where the former limit of perpetual snow may be estimated at some 1950 meters. The most important center was that of the Sierra de Urbión (Pico de Urbión, 2246 meters), from whose summits the following glaciers descended: that of Lake Urbión to 1550 meters, of Lake Larga to 1680 meters, and of Lakes Helada and Negra to 1650 meters; which shows that the snow limit must have been about 1850 meters. We cannot as yet venture to give an opinion upon the traces of glaciation in the isolated Sierra de Moncayo (2315 meters) reported by M. Vicente and J. Gómez de Llarena.

Actual investigations in regard to glaciation in the middle latitudes of the Peninsula were made in 1883 in the Serra da Estrella, Portugal. It is noteworthy that, although the greatest heights in this range do not exceed 1991 meters, nevertheless it was possible for F. A. de Vasconcellos to verify traces of glaciation consisting of many polished stones found in the valley of Lake Comprida, of erratic blocks like those in the valley of Conde (at a height of 1500 meters) and also in the upper valley of the Zézere near Apertado (1200 meters), and finally of typical moraines near Manteigas (700 meters), which indicate the presence in that valley of a glacier over nine and a quarter miles wide. In 1895 Nery Delgado announced the existence of other glacial deposits in the valley of Ceira, which extended as far as the plain of Mondego (8).

This extensive glaciation is explained by the nearness of the ocean and the humid climate of the mountains, circumstances which lowered the limit of perpetual snow to an altitude of from 1400 to 1500 meters (provisional estimate). Vasconcellos also speaks of traces of glaciation at the foot of these mountains, but these indications need further study, already undertaken, as it happens, by E. Fleury.

As regards the Cordillera Central, C. de Prado in 1864 had already indicated incidentally the glaciation of the Sierras of Béjar and Hervás, and he also spoke with cer-



The valley of Ordesa in the Spanish Pyrenees. Its U-shape is due to the action of the Pleistocene glacier of the river Ordesa, which flows from Mont Perdu.



The postglacial recessional moraine at the eastern foot of Peña Vieja in the Picos de Europa, Spanish Pyrenees.





tainty in 1862 of the existence of glaciers in the Sierra de Gredos. According to O. Schmieder (1915) there were several valley glaciers in the Sierra del Trampal (2404 meters), such as those of Garganta de Solana and Garganta del Trampal, as well as those of Garganta del Barco and Garganta de los Caballeros south of Barco de Ávila. Although all this region still needs a more detailed study, nevertheless it may safely be asserted that there were a considerable number of glaciers throughout the mountainous district lying between the Sierra de Béjar and the Picos de Gredos. In the last-named group, the highest of the range (Almanzor, 2592 meters), I was able in 1915, in company with H. del Villar and J. Carandell, to show the former existence of extensive glaciers in Garganta de Gredos and Garganta del Pinar (or Cinco Lagunas), which ended respectively at altitudes of 1450 and 1415 meters (Plates VII and III). With these data the height of the snow limit here during the Glacial Epoch may be estimated at 1800 to 1900 meters (9).

As to the Pleistocene glaciers of the Sierra de Guadarrama, opinions differ widely. They have been treated by C. de Prado (1864), Baysselance (1883), D. de Cortázar (1890), J. Macpherson (1893), A. Penck (1894), G. de Mazarredo (1910), and others (10). According to indications reported by the two last-named authors, the existence of valley glaciers would be impossible here, and still less possible the uniting of such supposed glaciers at the foot of the mountains in a huge ice-sheet covering the northern border of the plain of New Castile. Thanks to the researches of L. Fernández-Navarro (1915), we know that there were a number of small hanging glaciers on the northern slopes of the valley of the Lozoya. In the same group of Peñalara (2406 meters) were three other glaciers of the same type. The most extensive descended the southeast slope of Peñalara from west-north-west to east-south-east, and in its bed to the left lies the Lake of Peñalara. This glacier, earlier noted by A. Penck (1894), ended at an altitude of 1910 meters. The second glacier, the flow of which covered the present site of Hoyo de Pepe Hernando, ended at a height of 1830 meters. The third descended the eastern slope of the same massif.



Its moraines commenced somewhat below and south of the Lake of Birds, and ended at a height of 2050 meters. These figures enable us to estimate the perpetual snow limit during the Pleistocene at 2050 to 2100 meters (Plate V, b).

On parts of the slope below these glaciers I have met with more ancient moraine deposits at altitudes of 1750, 1720, and 1900 meters, which indicate the existence of a previous glaciation during which the snow limit must have reached 2000 meters, which is 100 meters lower than that of the

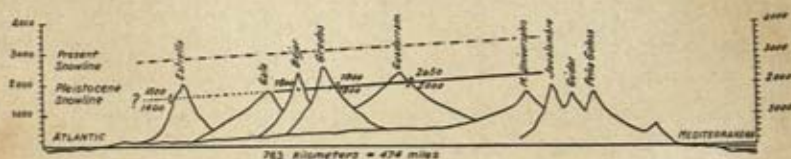
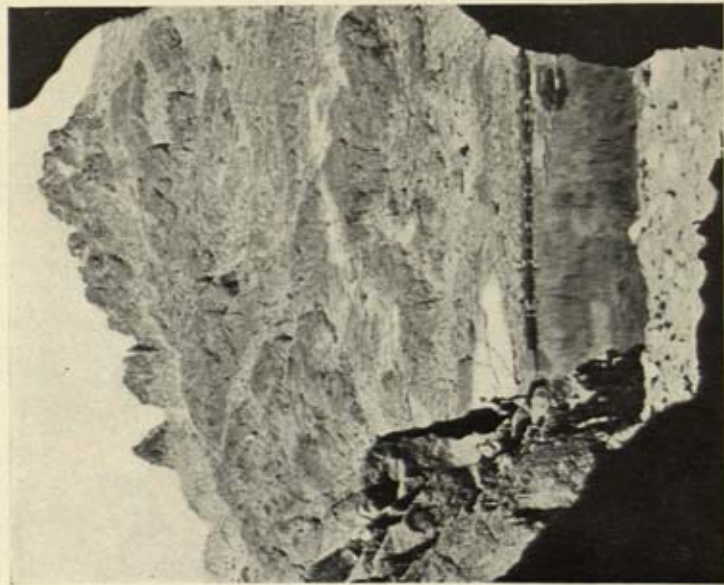


Fig. 64. Transverse section through the Iberian Peninsula showing the respective limits of perpetual snow at the present time and during the Glacial Epoch. Heights are given in meters.

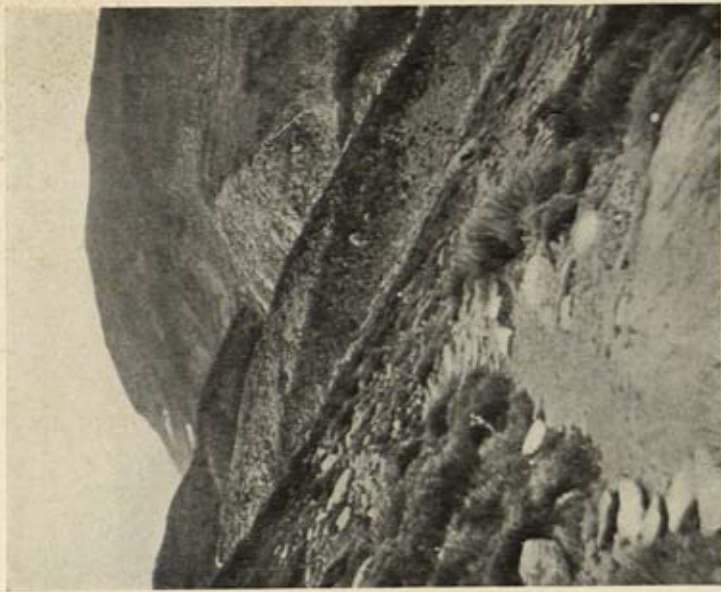
latest glaciation. There are also clear indications of various phases of retrocession.

This shows that the limit of perpetual snow during the Pleistocene increased in height from the Atlantic coast in the west, toward the interior, where the climate becomes gradually more continental—as is also the case with the Pyrenees during the Pleistocene, or with Norway at the present time (Figure 64).

Of great importance is the question of Pleistocene glaciation in the loftiest mountain range of Spain, the Sierra Nevada (Mulhacén, 3481 meters). According to Schimper (1849) the glaciers descended from here as far as Granada (Alhambra, 770 meters), and also, in the opinion of J. Macpherson, the moraines are found almost everywhere around this range at heights of from 600 to 700 meters. On the other hand, the conclusions of A. Penck, E. Richter, A. Benrath, and O. Quelle (1908) are entirely opposed to this hypothesis of a regional glaciation in the Sierra Nevada. It may now be asserted that the glaciers of the southern slopes were almost exclusively hanging glaciers (11). In 1915, in collabo-



Moraine amphitheater and lake of Gredos in the Sierra de Gredos, Spain, showing the area covered by the Pleistocene glacier of the river Gredos. From a photograph by A. Victory.



Moraine of the Pleistocene glacier of Mulhacén, in the Sierra Nevada, Spain. From a photograph by J. Carandell.





ration with J. Carandell, I studied the following glaciers: Siete Lagunas, ending at 2300 meters, Mulhacén and Rio Seco with confluent lateral moraines ending at 2250 meters, Veleta at about 2050 meters, Rio Colorado at 2400 meters, Lagunillas at 2300 meters, and Tajo de los Machos at 2400 meters. The only valley glacier, that of Lanjarón, ended at 2160 meters. From these data the height of the perpetual snow limit on the southern slopes may be estimated at 2600 to 2700 meters (Plates IV, *a*, and VII, *b*).

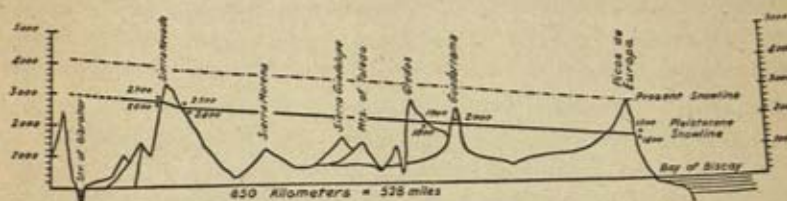


Fig. 65. Longitudinal section through the Iberian Peninsula showing the respective limits of perpetual snow at the present time and during the Glacial Epoch. Heights are given in meters.

On the northern slope, on the other hand, almost all the glaciers are valley glaciers. For these we have ascertained the following figures: the glacier of Dilar ended at about 2000 meters, of Monachil at 1900 meters, of the Barranco de San Juan at 2300 meters, of Guarnón at 1800 meters, of Valdeinfierno at 1860 meters, and of Valdecasillas at 1860 meters. From this an average snow limit of 2400 to 2500 meters may be inferred.

A section of the Iberian Peninsula from north to south is of great interest as showing the gradual ascension of the perpetual snow limit of the Glacial Epoch from the humid coast of the Bay of Biscay to the latitude of the Sierra Nevada (Figure 65).

Since the present limit of perpetual snow in the Alps, Pyrenees, etc., is very generally found to be about 1200 meters higher than in Pleistocene times, it is fairly safe to assume that the same is true of the Iberian Peninsula. It follows that the present snow limit is found at an altitude of 3050 to 3100 meters in the central part of the Spanish



Pyrenees, at 2600 to 2700 meters in the Picos de Europa, probably at the same height in the Serra da Estrella, at 3000 to 3100 meters in the Sierra de Gredos, at 3200 to 3250 meters in the Sierra de Guadarrama, and at 3600 to 3700 meters on the northern slopes, and 3800 to 3900 meters on the southern slopes of the Sierra Nevada (Figures 64, 65).

Seeing that all the centers of glaciation in Spain were relatively small, it need occasion no surprise that, in general, traces of only one glaciation are found, which—from their excellent state of preservation—can correspond only to the fourth and latest Alpine and northern glaciation. The remains of earlier glaciation have commonly not survived the destructive action of time. Notwithstanding, certain evidence of a previous glaciation, corresponding to the Third Glacial Stage of Europe, has been found in the Picos de Europa and in the massif of Peñalara. We have already referred to the most ancient moraines of this last, which, much more decomposed than the recent ones, indicate a glacial stage in the Cordillera Central that was greater both in extent and severity, which is also the case with the deposits of the Third Glacial Stage in the Alps and in northern Europe. Nery Delgado also speaks of a double glaciation in the Serra da Estrella. The quadruple glaciation in the French Pyrenees has already been described (p. 28).

For a long time past a great number of Spanish and Portuguese scientists have been occupied with extensive studies of the fauna of the Iberian Peninsula during the Glacial Epoch, thanks to the prime importance here conceded to the pursuit of spelæology (12) and archæology. Among them are J. Almera, P. Alsius, J. R. Bataller, A. Bofill, J. Carballo, P. Choffat, M. Cazorro, T. de Cortázar, N. Delgado, M. Faura y Sans, D. Jiménez de Cisneros, E. Hernández-Pacheco, G. Puig y Larraz, L. Sierra, Count de la Vega del Sella, and L. M. Vidal. To these may be added the names of such foreign authors as H. Breuil, Busk, Leith Adams, Lartet, Depéret, Bate, and, chiefly, Edouard Harlé.

Compared to its Pleistocene fauna, the present mammal fauna of Spain is rather meager (13). According to A. Cabrera it includes the Pyrenean bear, otter, two varieties of wolf, two of wildcat, fox, lynx, two kinds of seal, the Bar-



bary ape, rabbit, three varieties of hare, two of chamois, four of the Pyrenean ibex, two of roe deer, two of stag, two of wild boar, the Dama deer, and several cetaceans.<sup>1</sup>

Two excellent works by E. Harlé (1911) treat of the Pleistocene mammals of Spain and Portugal, and a continuation of the same is the subject of a painstaking monograph by I. del Pan (14).

It should be noted at the outset that these Pleistocene lists include both extinct and still existing species. We will first cite a faunal complex belonging to the Late Pleistocene, which is of little use for climatic grouping, as the species it includes are indifferent to climate. They are the bear, cave bear, wolf, fox, cave hyena, cave lion, leopard, wildcat, lynx, horse, wild boar, wild ox, bison, roe deer, stag, Dama deer, moose, giant deer, chamois, Pyrenean ibex, and rabbit.<sup>2</sup>

Much more important as climatic indications and for the determination of chronology are the following species:

The striped hyena (*Hyæna striata*), found in the cave of Furninha, Portugal.

The woolly mammoth (*Elephas primigenius*), found at the Clot del Llop in the valley of Viaña near Olot, Gerona; at San Julián de Ramís, Gerona; in the mines of "Dolores" and "Angel" at Udías, Santander; in the mine "Inadvertida," Pámanes, Santander; and at Cueto de la Mina near Posada, Oviedo, explored by Count de la Vega del Sella (15).

The straight-tusked elephant (*Elephas antiquus*), very frequent, found at Corts de Sarriá, Tarrasa, and San Vicens dels Horts, Catalonia; on the banks of the Gállego near Villanueva de Gállego, Saragossa, at Udías, Santander; in the cave of Castillo, near Puente Viesgo, Santander; San Isidro, Madrid; Almodóvar del Río, Cordova; Cementerio de Sevilla; Brenes, Seville; Alcoy, Alicante; Gibraltar; Mealhada, north of Coimbra, Portugal; Condeixa, south of Coimbra; and Torralba, Soria.<sup>3</sup>

The southern elephant (*Elephas meridionalis*), found at Condeixa, Portugal; the Caves of Vera, Almería; and at Lachar (?), Granada. Recently E. Hernández-Pacheco has noted its presence at Valverde de Calatrava, Ciudad Real.

The Etruscan rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros etruscus*), found in the environs of Málaga.



Merck's rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros merckii*), found in the cave of Gracia near Barcelona; in the upper grotto of Peña de la Miel, Nieva de Cameros, Logroño; at Alcalá de Guadaira, Seville; in the cave of Furninha, north of Lisbon; the cave of Serra-dos-Molianos, near Turquel, north of Lisbon; and the cave of Genista, Gibraltar (= *Rhinoceros hemitachius* Falc.). To this list may be added the cave of Castillo near Puente Viesgo, Santander; the Morín Cave, near Villanueva, Santander; the cave of Arnero, near Posada, Oviedo; Cueva del Conde, near Tuñón, Oviedo.

The woolly rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros tichorhinus*), found at Unquera, Santander; and at Arenys de Mar, Barcelona.

The hippopotamus (*Hippopotamus*), found in the alluvial gravels of Espolla near Bañolas, Gerona; in the environs of Gerona; at Tarrasa, Barcelona; and in the tuffs of Condeixa south of Coimbra. Just recently discovered is the site of Valverde de Calatrava, Ciudad Real.

The reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*), the presence of which was first ascertained by E. Harlé, has been found in the cave of Serinyá, Gerona; the cave of Aitzbitarte, Guipúzcoa; the cave of Armiña, Vizcaya; and the caves of Valle, Ojebar, and Palomas (?). These last three caves are in Santander, and the remains referred to were discovered by Lorenzo Sierra. Excavations recently completed at the cave of Castillo, near Puente Viesgo, Santander, have afforded the interesting discovery of remains of reindeer in the Late Palæolithic deposits and also at the base of the cave below the Acheulean.

The extent of this list and the great distance separating the caves of Santander from southern France exclude any chance that these remains might represent an importation from remote regions effected by man and brought in by him together with reindeer skins. Confirming this is the fact that in the cave of Ojebar there is not even a trace of human occupation during Palæolithic times, which goes to show that the animals found there were indigenous to the country and were killed there either by man or by carnivores.

The Corsican pika (*Lagomys corsicanus*), or tailless hare,<sup>4</sup> is of frequent occurrence in the lower strata of the cave of Gracia, Barcelona.

The Alpine marmot (*Arctomys marmotta*), so far, has been found in the deepest deposits of the cave of Castillo near Puente Viesgo (excavations of 1914), and also in the (Solutrean?) fauna of the cave of La Peña, near San Román de Candamo, Asturias.

In this list the fauna of the Early Pleistocene is typically represented only by the southern elephant, the hippopotamus, and the Etruscan rhinoceros. The last-named was indigenous to Europe. The hippopotamus came from Africa into Europe, and the same course seems to have been followed by the southern elephant. As stated previously (p. 35), it is certain that at the commencement of the Pleistocene Epoch the Strait of Gibraltar was already open, but the two continents were then united by a land bridge which connected northern Africa with Italy through Sicily.

The remaining species in this list are typical of the latter half of the Pleistocene, and belong for the most part to its close. This fauna shows that during the Pleistocene, with the rare exceptions above referred to, Spain was entirely dependent upon Europe and had no relation whatever with Africa. Such families as the Hyænidæ, Felidæ, Canidæ, Ursidæ, Suidæ, Cervidæ, and others, all had European precursors in Tertiary times.

The list of Spanish fauna consists almost exclusively of representatives of moderate or warm climates. The so-called "cold faunas" which play such an important part in other regions, are found here only in the *north of the Peninsula*. Even there they are of infrequent occurrence, nor is it likely that later investigations will greatly change the present known limits of their distribution. The principal route open to these northern types was the narrow strip of coast east of the Pyrenees, by which the mammoth, woolly rhinoceros, and reindeer made their way into Catalonia. Another route lay along the coast of Gascony toward the Basque Provinces, and through it the above-named animals, together with the marmot, entered the Cantabrian region.

As to the Alpine species, it would seem that the Alpine marmot had already disappeared before the close of the Pleistocene. The Pyrenean ibex and chamois existed in great numbers and spread not only into the valleys, but also



almost as far as the coast plain.<sup>5</sup> Maritime immigrants from the north were the Arctic molluscs, *Cyprina islandica* and *Pecten islandicus* (p. 35).

The reported discovery of remains of the lemming in a cave of Athugua in Portugal is quite inadmissible, since it has been shown that these remains consist of modern mummified specimens (16). Up to the present, typical steppe forms are entirely lacking. The Corsican pika (*Prolagus corsicanus*) or tailless hare above referred to, as well as the Cape pika (*Prolagus calpensis*) or tailless hare of Gibraltar, so far as known, have nothing in common with the steppe forms of pika (*Lagomys*).

Among the graphic portrayals of animals made by Pleistocene man are excellent representations of the wild ox, bison (Figure 17), stag, roe deer, and Dama deer. There are also a few representations of moose at Alpera and at Minateda—both in the Province of Albacete. In the numerous pictures of horses it is possible to recognize a number of types, as has been shown by H. F. Osborn. There are many pictures of the diminutive plateau, desert, or Celtic horse (related to the Arab type), and others of the heavy type of the forest or Nordic horse. Representations of the steppe horse (*Equus przewalski*) are abundant in France but very rare in Spain (Figure 16). The wild ass is also found (Figure 119). The ibex is frequently shown, there are several good pictures of the chamois in Cantabria, and also what is probably a representation of the same animal at Tortosillas near Ayora, Valencia. Quite remarkable are the various pictures of elephants in the caves of Pindal and Castillo, Cantabria. It should be noted that these animals are shown without tusks and with scanty hair (Figure 19). There is a picture of the rhinoceros at Minateda, and another (somewhat doubtful) representation of it in the cave of La Pileta, Málaga.

It should be kept in mind that in many cases the fauna of the Iberian Peninsula does not show distinct climatic phases. In consequence it is not only difficult, but often impossible, to determine the age of many of the Spanish sites, especially those belonging to the close of the Palæolithic,



since the bones found there belong to species still existing in the same region.

On the other hand, it is certain that many species characteristic of a warm climate—such as the southern and straight-tusked elephants, the Etruscan and Merck's rhinoceroses, the hippopotamus, the striped hyena, and others—survived much longer in Spain than in France. This makes it necessary to proceed with great caution in any estimates of the relative antiquity of archæologic deposits in Spain that are based on the associated fauna. In Chapter VIII we recur to the consequences involved by this fact. Pleistocene human remains in Spain are treated in Chapter IX.

Little is known of the Pleistocene fauna of the Balearic Islands. Nevertheless, the excavations of Miss Dorothea Bate (17) have resulted in the surprising discovery of an absolutely new genus, *Myotragus*. *Myotragus balearicus* was a mammal about the size of a fox, with limbs of short, stocky build, adapted to climbing among rocks, its food consisting of tough plants. It was an excessively specialized ruminant, and had horns. In skull and dentition it has many points of resemblance to the Capridæ, but instead of three lower incisors and one canine on either side of the lower jaw, as is usual among hollow-horned ruminants, the canines and the two outside incisors are entirely absent. Only the median incisors remain, greatly developed and with persistent pulp, as in the rodents. The premolars are also reduced in number, while the molars are high. The dental formula is as follows:

$$i_{\frac{1}{1}}^{\frac{1}{1}}; \quad p_{\frac{1}{1}}^{\frac{2}{1}}; \quad m_{\frac{3}{3}}^{\frac{3}{3}}$$

Remains of *Myotragus* occur both in Majorca and Minorca. The discovery sites of Majorca are the Cueva de la Barxa, Fuente de la Cala, near Capdepera; the Cuevas de los Colombs, Cap Faruch, Bay of Alcudia; and the Cueva des Bous, near Santueri. On Minorca Miss Bate reports the following: Cueva de los Extranjeros, near Santa Galdana Barranco, Bay of Marcaria; and the small fissure near Ses-trucarias, Bajoli.

C. W. Andrews thinks it not impossible that certain mam-



mal remains discovered by M. Dehaut in a cave breccia at Cap Figari, in the north of Sardinia, may belong to *Myotragus*. The animal, which was named *Antilope melonii*, has been doubtfully referred to *Nemorhædus* by M. Dehaut, but it seems to have been very similar to *Myotragus* and may prove to be identical. The horns are similarly rounded in section and run straight back in a line with the forehead; the orbit also seems to have been similarly situated.

In the same level with *Myotragus* there was also found a new genus of the family Muscardinidæ, which Bate has named *Hypnomys*, with two species, *H. morpheus* of Majorca, and *H. mahonensis* of Minorca. This genus shows many points of resemblance to *Eliomys* and *Leithia*, although perfectly distinct from either.

Bate has also discovered in two fissures containing fossils in the island of Minorca, the remains of a gigantic tortoise, *Testudo gymnesicus*. The presence of these species shows that the Balearic Islands were separated from the mainland before the Glacial Epoch. Their fauna, corresponding to the Late Tertiary, evolved independently after the separation, which thus tended to the formation of specialized types.<sup>6</sup>

Theories concerning climatic conditions during the Pleistocene are based on the supposition that the formation of the Spanish coast and the conditions of the Gulf Stream were then essentially the same as now. And, since we are not able to make detailed investigations, our deductions must be more or less hypothetical in regard to the fauna—as yet little known—of the central and southern part of the Peninsula.

It can now be positively affirmed that the extent of surface actually covered by glaciers in the Peninsula was, comparatively speaking, very restricted. They did not extend beyond the highlands and the high mountain regions, so that their direct effect upon the lowlands was but slight.

The climate of northern Spain—that is, the Cantabrian region—was probably a very moist coast climate, similar to the present climate of Scotland and northern Ireland.

Central Spain had a dry continental climate, with a long severe winter and a short rainy summer, as at present. The “meseta” of Old Castile probably had a climate similar to



that of Poland now; while the "Mancha" of New Castile would have had a somewhat milder climate, resembling that of central Germany.

Climatic conditions in Andalusia, together with southern Portugal and southern Murcia, must have been exceedingly favorable, with mild winters and comparatively warm summers. The center of this region enjoyed a climate like the present climate of southern France north of the Pyrenees, and of the valley of the Po in northern Italy. The coast had a climate like that now prevailing along the French-Italian Riviera and the coast of Dalmatia. It is reasonable to suppose that this Andalusian littoral was the place where the warm fauna of interglacial times found refuge and was thus able to remain on European soil during the glacial stages. It is not impossible that this fauna penetrated farther inland during the summers, and also that its physiological mutations took place chiefly at this time.

The eastern half of the Peninsula is at present characterized by the large extent of its very arid steppe regions, comprising about 13,500 square miles. Although we hold that the glacial stages were almost entirely due to a general lowering of the average yearly temperature and not to a pronounced increase of rainfall, nevertheless it should be noted that this district—on account of the shorter summer—probably had more humidity at that time, and consequently abundant pasturage for the greater part of the year.

Loess formations are not found in Spain, and therefore the typical loess fauna—such as the jerboa, spermophile, and Saiga antelope—is also lacking.

A graphic presentation of our views in regard to the fauna of Spain during the glacial stages is shown in Figures 10, 13, and 122. Only in the north was there an infiltration of the cold fauna; while the hippopotamus—which, during the interglacial stages, was found both in France and England—was able to survive in the extreme south, its migration back to Africa being hindered by the Strait of Gibraltar. Throughout all the stages great numbers of horses, wild oxen, stag, roe deer, wild boar, ibex, and rabbit lived in the central and eastern parts of Spain, together with numerous carnivores, such as bears, hyenas, felines, and wolves.



An entirely different aspect was presented by Spain during the interglacial stages. A. Penck is of the opinion that northern Spain at that time, on account of its great humidity, enjoyed a mild climate similar to that of Andalusia, while in southern Spain the climate was decidedly subtropical, with two seasons—a rainy winter and a very dry summer. We are of the opinion that the interglacial stages included phases of climate more humid, and others more arid, than the present. During the arid phases the east and southeast of the Iberian Peninsula experienced an almost desert climate, with so hot a summer that the herds of elephants were forced to retreat to the higher levels of the mountain country. This is clearly shown by the elephant remains of the former lake at Torralba, Soria, more than 3600 feet above sea level.

Of great geologic interest are the enormous accumulations of sand and clay which cover the foot of the southern slope of the Cantabrian Mountains and the base of the Cordillera Central both on the southern and northern slopes. A typical example is found in the "Quaternary of Madrid" (18), very uniform in composition and consisting of granitic sand more or less impregnated with clay, occasionally intermixed with layers of worn pebbles. The accumulations of large stones of torrential origin are found only at the very foot of the Sierra, as at Torreldones, San Agustin, etc. This formation is therefore not a coarse alluvial deposit, but has resulted from a very slow and gradual deposition ("formation de ruissellement").

We have felt obliged to abandon our earlier opinion that these accumulations were the result of the glacial stages, because the glaciers of the Sierra de Guadarrama were really very small and could not possibly account either for the enormous masses of detritus or for the amount of water necessary to transport them. Our present view is that these formations were deposited during certain interglacial phases characterized by much rain and humidity, and resembling that "optimum climate" which, as the geologists of northern Europe have been able to demonstrate, followed the latest glaciation (Chapter X).



This view is confirmed by the fact that remains of the straight-tusked elephant have been found in these formations in the neighborhood of Madrid—an animal characteristic of a warm climate, which could not have lived at an altitude of over 2000 feet above sea level and at the foot of a snow-covered mountain during the Glacial Epoch. This interpretation does not exclude the possibility that a *part* of the so-called "Diluvium of Madrid" was not deposited by water but is of subæolian origin. Such deposits—as yet but little studied—are due to the heavy, hot winds of the steppes, their action being partly erosive, and partly a re-depositing of the eroded material (fine sand and loamy dust) in sheltered spots.

A similar origin should probably be assigned to the extensive accumulations of sand, clay, and fine gravel which are found, for instance, on the coast of Alicante and in the neighborhood of Guadix north of the Sierra Nevada. On the other hand, the "tierras negras" (black earth deposits) of Andalusia, both on account of their freshness and their stratigraphic position, are evidently post-glacial (19).

During the Glacial Epoch there were at least two areas of volcanic activity in Spain, which later appear to have become extinct. The first of these is found in the southeast of Ciudad Real, at Valverde de Calatrava, where E. Hernández-Pacheco discovered remains of the southern elephant and the hippopotamus lying beneath deposits of volcanic lapilli. From this it was possible to determine the age of these deposits as belonging to the Early Pleistocene.

Of much longer duration was the activity of those volcanoes which gave rise to the numerous craters and masses of basaltic rock in the neighborhood of Gerona. Cárez asserts that the lava streams occur superposed upon deposits containing remains of the woolly mammoth (20).

The volcanic activity of Catalonia seems to have been the most recent in the Iberian Peninsula. Eruptions were numerous during the Pleistocene, and continued—as in Auvergne—up to the latest phases of this epoch.

The earliest scientific investigations on the subject of Palæolithic man in Spain date back some fifty years and are



associated with the names of C. de Prado, M. de Sautuola, and J. Vilanova. Since then the number of experts devoted to this research has been greatly augmented. Among them may be named H. Alcalde del Río, P. Alsius del Torrent, E. Boscá, P. Bosch, J. Cabré, J. Carballo, M. Cazorro, the Marquis of Cerralbo, J. Gómez Riaño, A. Guinea, E. Hernández-Pacheco, C. Morán, F. de Motos, E. de la Pedraja, J. Pérez de Barradas, L. Sierra, M. Such, the Count de la Vega del Sella, L. M. Vidal, and J. Zuazo.

Great hopes may also be entertained for the future, on account of the recently founded Comisión de Investigaciones Paleontológicas y Prehistóricas and the Junta Superior de Excavaciones y Antigüedades, both of Madrid, and the establishment of a prehistoric section in the Institut d'Estudis Catalans of Barcelona.

In Portugal excellent work along the same lines has been done by P. Choffat, V. Correia, Nery Delgado, Joaquín Fontes, J. Fortes, Fonseca Cardoso, C. Ribeiro, F. de Vasconcellos, and J. Leite de Vasconcellos.

Foremost among foreigners who have occupied themselves investigating the Palæolithic problems of Spain may be named L. Lartet, E. de Verneuil, and E. Cartailhac. Noteworthy also is the work of L. Siret, on account of his splendid excavations in southeastern Spain. More intensive was the work undertaken in late years by the Institut de Paléontologie Humaine of Paris, founded by the Prince of Monaco. The investigations of its professors, H. Breuil and H. Obermaier, were most ably seconded by their Spanish co-workers (21).

The following pages are devoted to a description of the principal Palæolithic stations of Spain so far discovered. It will be seen that this amounts to little more than a list of sites geographically classified. This is due to the fact that most of the monographs describing recent systematic excavations are still in course of preparation. As regards the majority of the deposits in southern and southeastern Spain, only small superficial excavations have as yet been made, and the material collected is not sufficient to justify any positive details.

## NORTHERN SPAIN

Northern Spain is, without question, the region that has been best explored. Special mention should be made of the scientific work accomplished by the Count de la Vega del Sella and L. Sierra in accordance with the modern stratigraphic methods of excavation, as well as by the Institut de Paléontologie Humaine.

## GUIPUZCOA

*Aitzbitarte (Landarbaso)*—a cave in Rentería near San Sebastian, discovered by Modesto del Valle Iznaga, Count de Lersundi, which contains important desposits of Late Magdalenian type, including harpoons with double rows of barbs. The abundant Pleistocene fauna (with reindeer) has been described by E. Harlé (22).

*Aitzkolcho*—near Mendaro, discovered by L. Sierra (1909), shows traces of a Late Palæolithic deposit embedded in calcareous rock.

## VISCAYA

*Armiña*—a cave in the region of Bilbao-Durango near Lequeitio-Guernica, discovered by A. de Gálvez-Cañero, which contains Magdalenian deposits (with remains of reindeer, according to E. Harlé).

*Balzola*—a cave in the same region, near Dima-Yurre, which contains Azilian and Magdalenian deposits, described by A. de Gálvez-Cañero (23).

## SANTANDER (24)

In the region of the river Asón on the eastern borders of the province are found the following:

*El Mirón*—a cave near Ramales, which contains large deposits, probably Aurignacian, discovered by L. Sierra.

*Valle*—a cave near Rasines in the jurisdiction of Ramales, discovered in 1905 by Lorenzo Sierra, and explored (1909-1911) under the auspices of the Institut de Paléontologie Humaine by L. Sierra, H. Obermaier, H. Breuil and J. Bouyssonie (25).

In the principal grotto on the left, the stratification is as follows:



*d* Stalagmitic deposit

20 cm.

*c* Azilian deposit

50 cm.

The first Azilian industry found in Spain (Chapter X).

*b* Late Magdalenian deposit

60–100 cm.

Harpoons with single and double rows of barbs, and a great variety of bone implements, some of which are ornamented with very simple conventional designs. A ceremonial perforated staff without ornament, and a few remains of reindeer.

*a* Lowest level of gravelly clay with a few atypical artefacts.



Fig. 66. Radius of a bird, from the cave of Valle, Santander, engraved with designs of wild horses and conventionalized stag heads. After H. Breuil and H. Obermaier.

*Two-thirds actual size.*

Other traces of Magdalenian industry are found in the passage at the right, beneath great heaps of boulders. Among these is the bone of a bird with fine engravings, lightly traced, representing two horses, the head of a stag seen in front view, and another in profile, and a few conventionalized designs of other subjects (Figure 66). A veritable masterpiece is the perforated ceremonial staff (*bâton de commandement*) found by L. Sierra, on which are engraved the head of a hind, several human figures—very small and sketchy—and, near the point of the *bâton*, a packet of harpoons (?). On the reverse side can be distinguished a sketch of the muzzle of some animal seen from the front (Figure 67). Possibly we should also refer to the Magdalenian a pebble painted in red, black, and yellow, seeing that it shows only spots of color and no true Azilian symbols.

*Otero*—a cave near Secadura in the jurisdiction of Laredo,

which contains an abundant Magdalenian deposit, discovered in 1909 by L. Sierra.

In the region of the river Miera in the southern part of Santander are found the following:

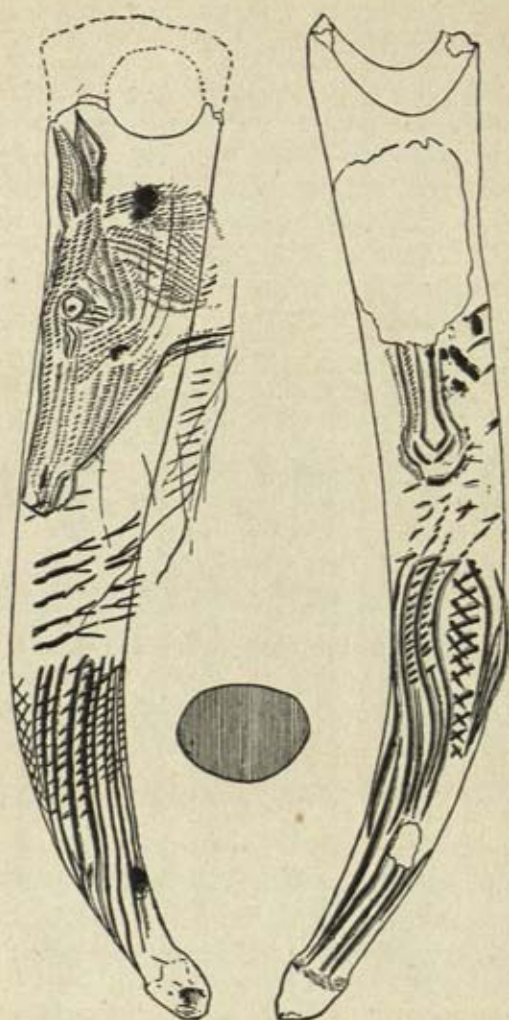


Fig. 67. Perforated staff (*bâton de commandement*) of stag horn from the cave of Valle, Santander, now in the collection of Lorenzo Sierra, which is engraved with the head of a doe and other decorative designs.

*Five-sixths actual size.*



*Salitre*—a cave near Miera in the jurisdiction of Santoña, discovered in 1903 by L. Sierra, which contains a fine series of Aurignacian, Solutrean, Magdalenian, and Azilian deposits.

*Rascaño*—a cave near Mirones in the jurisdiction of Santoña, discovered by Juan R. Gómez Riaño. The first excavations were made by J. R. Gómez, J. Carballo, and L. Sierra, and later (1920) a systematic investigation was conducted by H. Obermaier. It contains very instructive deposits of the Azilian and Magdalenian (with harpoons and engravings), as well as traces of the Solutrean (Figure 68).

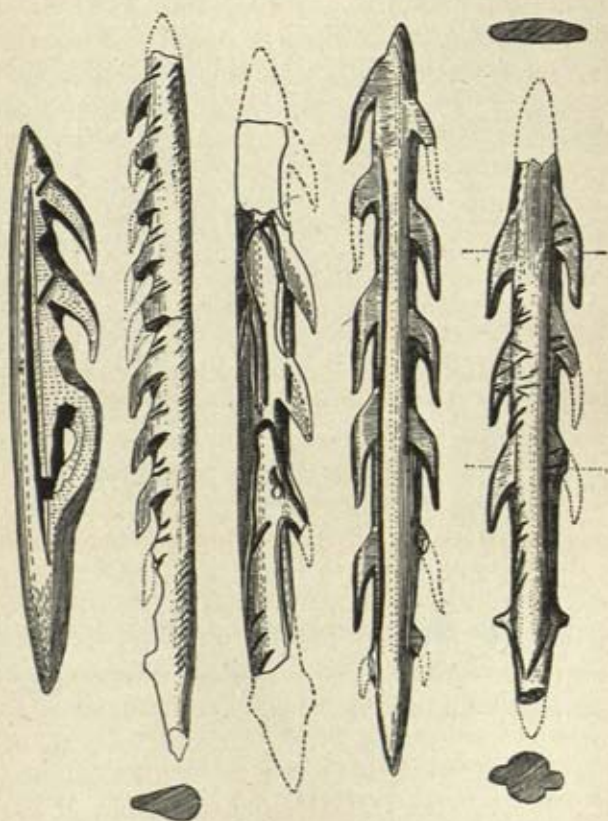


Fig. 68. Harpoons from the cave of Rascaño, Santander—the middle one engraved with the head of an animal.

*Three-fourths actual size.*

*Bona*—a cave near Mirones, discovered by L. Sierra, which contains a small deposit of the Late Solutrean with typical shouldered points, and laurel-leaf points with concave base.

*Fuente del Francés*—a cave near Hoznayo-Entrambasaguas in the jurisdiction of Santoña, discovered in 1880 by E. de la Pedraja. The archæologic deposit—containing industrial remains belonging to the Magdalenian, Solutrean, and Mousterian—has been entirely removed.

*San Vitores*—a cave near Solares, discovered by J. Carballo and I. Salguero, with traces of the Mousterian (?).

*Cueva del Mar*—a cave near Rivamontán al Monte in the jurisdiction of Santoña, discovered in 1903 by L. Sierra, containing industrial remains which are probably Aurignacian.

*Truchiro*—a cave near Rivamontán al Monte, discovered by L. Sierra in 1903, which contains Magdalenian deposits.

Environs of *Astillero*—near Santander. Acheulean hand axes in quartzite, discovered in the open by Robert Shallcross.

*Nuestra Señora de Loreto (Peña Castillo)*—a cave near Peña Castillo, within the city limits of Santander, which contains abundant Magdalenian deposits, discovered by M. de Olavarria.

*Ciriego*—a station in the open, within the city limits of Santander, behind the cemetery, where quartzite hand axes of Acheuleo-Mousterian type were found. Its discovery was announced in 1919 by J. Carballo and Count de la Vega del Sella (also Asturian industry).

In the region of the river Pas, southwestern Santander, are found the following:

*Castillo*—a cave near Puente Viesgo in the jurisdiction of Villacarriedo.

Entrance of the cave.—The existence of archæologic deposits here was announced by H. Alcalde del Rio. Their exploration was undertaken by the Institut de Paléontologie Humaine, Paris (1910-1914), and accomplished under the scientific direction of H. Obermaier assisted by P. Wernert. From time to time during the course of the excavations assistance in the scientific work was ably rendered by H. Breuil (26), Paris; Baron A. Blanc, Rome; P. Teilhard, Paris;



Miles Burkitt, Cambridge; N. C. Nelson, New York; F. Birkner, Munich; and R. Mallet, Paris (Plate VIII).

The stratigraphic succession found here is one of the most complete known among deposits with direct superposition of various industries. The section, which has an average thickness of 16-18 meters, includes the following strata:



Fig. 69. A perforated staff or bâton de commandement from the cave of Castillo, Puente Viesgo, on which the figure of a stag is deeply engraved. The engraved lines were formerly filled with red coloring matter.

*Two-thirds actual size.*

- z* Recent detritus.
- y* Stalagmitic deposit.
- x* Eneolithic industry.
- w* Azilian industry with flattened harpoons (Chapter X).
- v* Stalagmitic deposit.
- u* Late Magdalenian industry, including harpoons with a single row of barbs and perforated base, and a perforated bâton de commandement with a stag (Figure 69) depicted in deeply engraved lines which were formerly filled with ocher. Chief among the accompanying fauna is the stag.
- t* Clay layer, almost sterile.
- s* Early Magdalenian. An enormous deposit of ashes, nearly six feet deep. The flint implements are poor, but there are many artefacts in bone and horn, including numerous fragments of ceremonial staves or bâtons, generally unadorned, and a number of hind shoulder blades engraved with heads of hinds (Figure 70). There are also scattered human remains (Chapter



PLATE VIII

The Pico del Castillo—showing the entrance to the Cave of Castillo (+)—near Puente Viesgo, Santander.





IX). Chief among the fauna is the stag, but there are also a few remains of reindeer.

*r* Clay layer, almost sterile.

*q* Early Solutrean, with laurel-leaf points without concave base. Accompanying fauna consists chiefly of the horse. There are also a few remains of reindeer.

*p* Clay layer, almost sterile.

*o* Late Aurignacian, with gravers and typical Gravette points. The fauna consists chiefly of horse, with a few remains of reindeer.



Fig. 70. Fragment of a stag's shoulder blade engraved with the head of a doe, from the Early Magdalenian level (*s*) in the cave of Castillo. After H. Breuil and H. Obermaier.

*One-half actual size.*

*n* Clay layer, almost sterile.

*m* Late Aurignacian—a few industrial remains. Principal fauna—horse.

*l* Clay layer, almost sterile.

*k* Late Aurignacian—scanty archæologic remains. Principal fauna—horse.

*i* Clay layer, almost sterile.

*h* Middle Aurignacian—keeled scrapers, and bone points with cleft base. Scattered human remains (Chapter IX). Principal fauna—stag and Merck's rhinoceros.

*g* Stalagmitic deposit.

*f* Late Mousterian industry in stone, small but very instructive, including hand points and scrapers. Many large implements in



quartzite, serpentine, sandstone, and limestone. These should be understood as a regional survival of the ancient hand ax industry. In many cases they end in a straight cross-cut edge instead of a point, while the base is rounded (Figure 71). The reverse side is plain, as in the Levallois flakes. There are

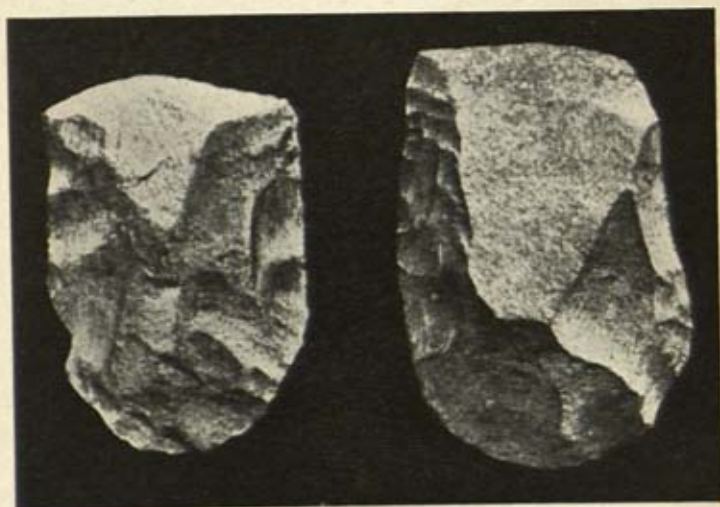


Fig. 71. Large flat chopping tools (haches) of sandstone, worked on the upper side, from the Late Mousterian level (*f*) in the cave of Castillo.

*Two-fifths actual size.*

also a few primitive bone points. Principal fauna—stag and Merck's rhinoceros.

*e* Clay layer, almost sterile.

*d* Late Mousterian industry with finely made small forms (Figures 72, 73). Implements of quartzite, as in level *f*, but not many. Principal fauna—stag and Merck's rhinoceros.

*c* Stalagmitic deposit.

*b* Early Acheulean, with typical hand axes, worked on both sides. Much worked limestone. Ocher. Principal fauna—stag and Merck's rhinoceros.

*a* Clay, with a few atypical implements and remains of hearthfires. Principal fauna—cave bear, and, rarely, the reindeer and marmot.

Beneath this lies the original floor of the cave entrance.



Fig. 72. Implements from the Late Mousterian level (d) in the cave of Castillo, consisting of a small hand ax (coup de poing), hand points, and a borer, all of worked flint.  
*Three-fourths actual size.*



In the first large chamber inside the cave, industrial remains of Acheulean and Mousterian type were discovered by H. Obermaier and H. Breuil, including hand axes of quartzite and serpentine (Figure 74).

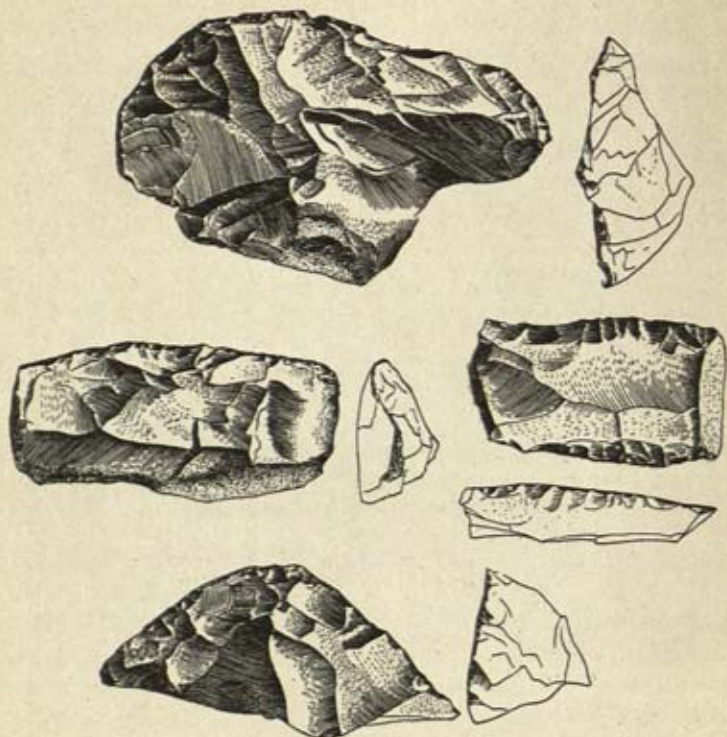


Fig. 73. Flint scrapers from the Late Mousterian level (d) in the cave of Castillo. Face and side views.

*Three-fourths actual size.*

On the slope of the mountain, just below the cave, Acheulean implements of quartzite were found in the open, and also in pockets of clay, by H. Breuil, H. Obermaier, and L. de Rozas.

*Morín (Villanueva)*—a cave near Villaescusa within the municipal limits of Villanueva, discovered by H. Obermaier and P. Wernert (1911). The existence of industrial remains was also announced by O. Cendrero (1914) and J. Carballo

(1915), and the deposit was systematically excavated (1918-1920) by Count de la Vega del Sella together with H. Obermaier. The stratigraphic succession is as follows:



Fig. 74. An Acheulean discoidal hand ax (*coup de poing*) of serpentine, from the "Cave Bear loam" in the large inner chamber in the cave of Castillo. After H. Breuil and H. Obermaier.

*Three-fifths actual size.*

- k* Recent detritus.
- i* Middle (?) Tardenoisian industry.
- h* Azilian industry, with flattened harpoons.
- g* Magdalenian, with harpoons with a single row of barbs.
- f* Traces of Late Solutrean, with shouldered points of Cantabrian type.
- e* Final Aurignacian, with a point of Font-Robert type.
- d* Middle Aurignacian, with bone points with cleft base.
- c* Middle Aurignacian, more primitive in type.
- b* Sterile layer.
- a* Late Mousterian, with many large implements of serpentine and quartzite, identical in type with those of level *f* in the neighboring cave of Castillo. Fauna—Merck's rhinoceros.

*Pendo* (*San Pantaleón*)—a cave near Escobedo-Camargo in the jurisdiction of Santander, contains an enormous deposit discovered (1878-1880) by M. de Sautuola. It includes Azilian, Magdalenian, Solutrean, and Aurignacian indus-



tries, as I was able to demonstrate through investigations made during the years 1919-1921. Of especial interest is a ceremonial staff (*bâton de commandement*) found in 1914 by O. Cendrero, engraved with a number of deeply incised lines. Fauna—Merck's rhinoceros.

*Cobalejos (Puente Arce)*—a cave near Puente Arce-Valle de Piélagos in the jurisdiction of Santander, discovered by E. de la Pedraja, which contains deposits of Magdalenian, Solutrean, and Mousterian. In 1914 the author, together with L. de Rozas, found here in Late Magdalenian deposits a decorated awl and a human molar. At the base were found small implements of Mousterian type, made of quartzite. The rhinoceros molar noted by E. Harlé appears to belong to Merck's rhinoceros.

*Camargo (Peña del Mazo)*—a cave near Revilla-Camargo in the jurisdiction of Santander. This grotto was studied by M. de Sautuola, but has since been destroyed in consequence of the exploitation of a stone quarry. The latest investigations were made by J. Carballo and L. Sierra, and to the latter we owe the determination of the various levels, as follows:

- e* Neolithic and Copper Age artefacts.
- d* Traces of Azilian industry.
- c* Magdalenian deposits. J. Carballo owns a ceremonial staff found here, engraved with serpentine designs.
- b* Solutrean deposits.
- a* Aurignacian deposits. From this level came the human skull now in the Museum of Limpas, Santander (Chapter IX).

In the region of the rivers Besaya and Saja (neighborhood of Torrelavega) are found the following:

*Hornos de la Peña*—a cave near San Felices de Buelna in the jurisdiction of Torrelavega, containing deposits discovered in 1903 by L. Sierra and H. Alcalde del Río, and excavated in 1909-1910 for the Institut de Paléontologie Humaine, Paris, under the scientific direction of H. Obermaier, H. Breuil, and J. Bouyssonie (27). The stratification is as follows:

- e Indications of Neolithic culture.
- d Magdalenian deposit, in gray clay, containing a meager number of specimens. Among these are javelins and typical flints, and several articles in stag horn, ornamented with spiral designs.
- c Early Solutrean industry, in yellow clay, with fragments of laurel-leaf points.
- b Middle Aurignacian industry, in yellow clay, with abundant flints; also the frontal bone of a horse with the posterior part of the same animal engraved upon it.
- a Mousterian artefacts embedded in a sandy deposit, which are made chiefly of quartzite.

The maximum thickness of the whole deposit is two meters. The strata were rather complicated.

*San Felices de Buelna*—in this neighborhood Acheulean deposits were found in the open, with hand axes of quartzite collected by H. Alcalde del Río and H. Breuil.

*Peña de Carranceja*—near Carranceja-Reocín in the jurisdiction of Torrelavega, visited in 1903 by H. Alcalde del Río, contains indications of Magdalenian and Solutrean industry.

*Altamira*—a cave near Santillana del Mar in the jurisdiction of Torrelavega. This great cave was studied during the years 1878-1880 by M. de Sautuola. Its entrance contains a most notable deposit of Solutrean and Magdalenian, which has been investigated by M. de Sautuola, E. de la Pedraja, Botín, E. Harlé, F. Quiroga, Taylor Ballota, H. Alcalde del Río, and L. Sierra (28).

The stag's shoulder blades found here, ornamented with engravings, cannot possibly belong to the Late Solutrean, as suggested by H. Alcalde del Río, but should be attributed to the Early Magdalenian as indicated by the excavations at Castillo. The Late Solutrean of Altamira is characterized by Solutrean shouldered points and laurel-leaf points with concave base.

*El Cuco*—a cave near Ubiarco-Santillana in the jurisdiction of Torrelavega, discovered by M. de Sautuola, which contains a Magdalenian deposit.

In the region of the river Deva in the extreme west of the province are found the following:

*Unquera*—near San Vicente de la Barquera, where H. Breuil and H. Alcalde del Río discovered a Mousterian de-



posit in the open, beneath a thick layer of clay with remains of the woolly rhinoceros.

*La Hermida*—in the gorge of the river Deva between Panes and Potes, where H. Breuil and H. Alcalde del Río discovered a deposit in the open which contained Late Magdalenian and Azilian artefacts.

#### ASTURIAS

In the region of Panes are found the following:

*Panes*—according to investigations made by H. Breuil, H. Obermaier, and H. Alcalde del Río, affords these industrial remains, namely:

1. At the rock-shelters to the southeast of the town—Magdalenian (or Azilian) flints.
2. At the foot of these shelters—a great Acheulean deposit in the open, with many hand axes in quartzite.
3. In the direction of Peña Mellera between Panes and the cave called Cueva del Sel—Acheulean deposits of the same character.

*La Loja (El Mazo)*—near Panes, a grotto at the entrance of which H. Breuil and H. Obermaier discovered vestiges of industrial remains which are probably Magdalenian.

In the region of Llanes are found the following:

*Balmori (Quintana)*—a cave near Balmori, Llanes, explored by Count de la Vega del Sella, 1914-1917, a part of the time in collaboration with H. Obermaier. The stratification is as follows:

*d* Asturian industry.

*c* Azilian industry.

*b* Early Magdalenian remains, with awls with rectangular cross section. The accompanying fauna consists of the moose, cave lion, and the Arctic mollusc, *Cyprina islandica*.

*a* Indications of Solutrean industry, with a shouldered point.

*Arnero*—a cave near Posada, Llanes, discovered by Count de la Vega del Sella in 1914, and explored by the same, together with H. Obermaier, in 1919. The stratification is as follows:

- b* Stalagmitic deposit and abundant Asturian industrial remains.  
*a* Reddish clay with Middle Aurignacian artefacts, characterized by bone points with cleft base. The accompanying fauna consists of Merck's rhinoceros, wild ox, horse, stag, roe deer, ibex, and chamois.

There are also indications of Mousterian (?) industrial remains, much disturbed and not in their original intact state.

*Cueto de la Mina*—near Posada, Llanes, discovered and explored (1914-1915) by Count de la Vega del Sella (29). The stratification of this important rock shelter is as follows:



Fig. 75. Bone awls, or points, and harpoons from Late Magdalenian deposits in the cave shelter of Cueto de la Mina, now in the collection of Count de la Vega del Sella.

*Four-fifths actual size.*



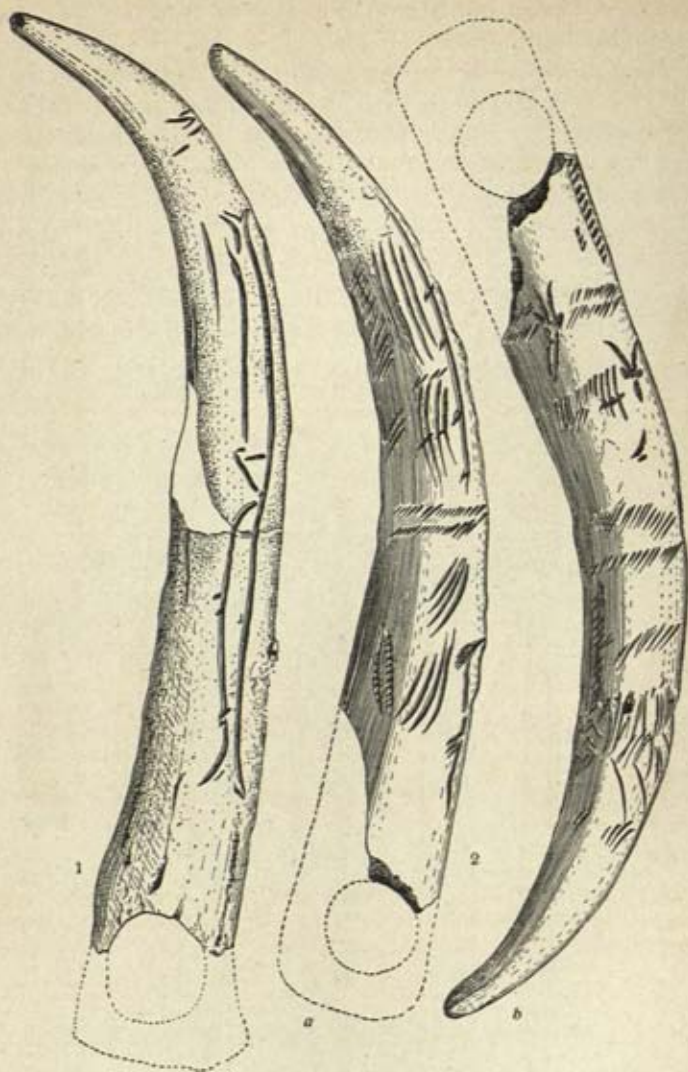


Fig. 76. Perforated staves (bâtons de commandement) from Late Magdalenian deposits at Cueto de la Mina, now in the collection of Count de la Vega del Sella. 1 Engraved with designs of fishes. 2 Engraved with conventionalized ibex heads and other decorative designs.

*One-half actual size.*

- m* Traces of Asturian industry—5 cm.  
*l* Traces of Azilian industry—5 cm.  
*k* Late Magdalenian—50 cm.—a rich and varied industry in flint and quartzite. Harpoons with a single row of barbs, and an awl engraved with a much conventionalized ibex head (Figure 75); also several ceremonial staves of stag horn, among them

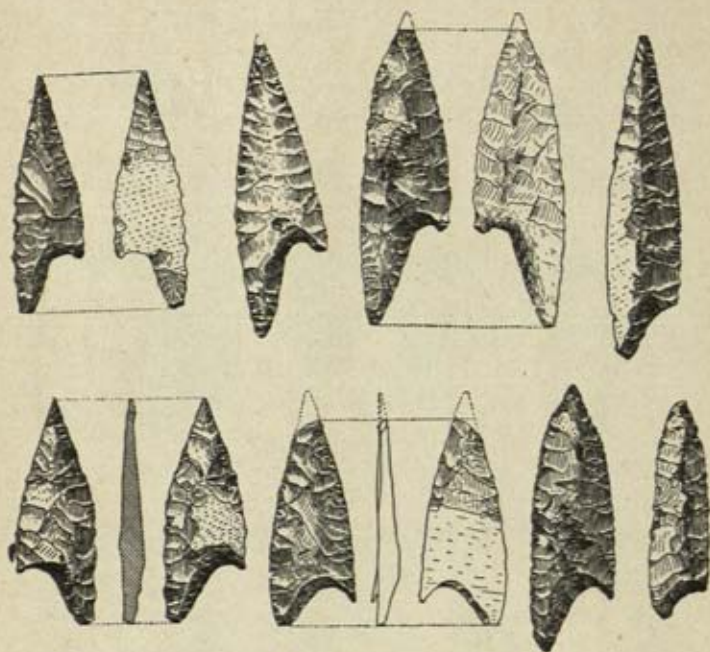


Fig. 77. Shouldered points of worked flint, in varying forms, from Cueto de la Mina, now in the collection of Count de la Vega del Sella.

*Actual size.*

one engraved with two fishes (Figure 76, 1), and another with conventionalized ibex heads and various linear designs (Figure 76, 2). Shells of *Cyprina islandica*.

- i* Middle Magdalenian—55 cm.—a reddish deposit without harpoons. Shells of *Pecten islandicus*.  
*h* Early Magdalenian—40 cm.—with many simple bone implements (spatulas, awls, javelin points, fine needles), some of which are ornamented. Shells of *Cyprina islandica*.  
*g* Late Solutrean—60 cm.—divided into four strata, which, however, according to the character of implements are essentially



the same. Numerous typical shouldered points, short-pointed and with a well-defined barb at the side (Figure 77); also laurel-leaf points, most of them with concave base (Figure 78). The fauna includes the stag (very abundant), horse, Pyrenean ibex, chamois, and cave hyena. There are also molars of the woolly mammoth.

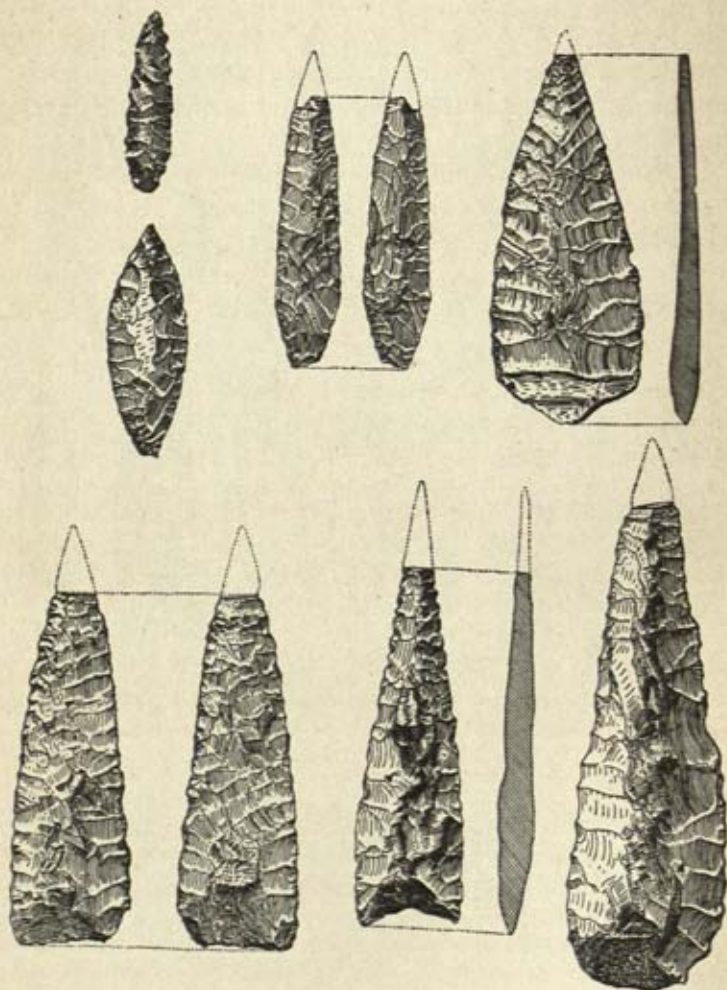


Fig. 78. Leaf points of worked flint belonging to the Late Solutrean, from Cueto de la Mina, now in the collection of Count de la Vega del Sella.

*Three-fifths actual size.*

- f* Red loam and sand—30-40 cm.
- e* Early Solutrean—30 cm.—with simple laurel-leaf points.
- d* Sterile layer—25 cm.
- c* Late Aurignacian—10 cm.—with awls of ivory and points of "La Gravette" type.
- b* Sterile loam—20 cm.
- a* Late Aurignacian—10 cm.—with unimportant industry and remains of the cave hyena.

At the base of the Late Magdalenian deposit (*k*) were found a few oval hand axes of quartzite of the same type as those from the Late Mousterian deposit (layer *f*) in the cave of Castillo. These doubtless fell from the edge of the plateau overhanging the cave during Magdalenian times.

*La Riera*—a cave near Posada, Llanes, discovered in 1916 by Count de la Vega del Sella, and explored by the same together with H. Obermaier. The stratification is as follows:

- g* Asturian industry, very abundant.
- f* Azilian deposit, with harpoons.
- e* Azilio-Magdalenian.
- d* Late Magdalenian, with harpoons with a double row of barbs.
- c* A layer of red loam which originally lay on the plateau above the grotto, and fell during Magdalenian times. It contained a number of hand axes of quartzite, belonging to the Acheulean.
- b* Late Solutrean.
- a* The base, which has not yet (1919) been explored.

*Fonfría*—a cave near Barro, Llanes, discovered and explored in 1915 by Count de la Vega del Sella, whose account has not yet been published. The stratification is as follows:

- e* Superficial stalagmitic deposit.
- d* A layer of molluscs adhering to the stalagmitic covering.
- c* A black deposit with quartzite implements of Asturian type.
- b* Sterile layer of red clay.
- a* A small Magdalenian deposit.

In the region of Ribadesella are found the following:

*La Cueva*—in Ribadesella, which contains Early Magdalenian deposits, was excavated in 1915 by E. Hernández-Pacheco and P. Wernert. Later researches were made in 1916 by Count de la Vega del Sella and H. Obermaier.



*Viesca*—a cave in Ribadesella containing industrial remains which probably belong to the late Magdalenian, was excavated in 1915 by E. Hernández-Pacheco and P. Wernert.

*Cueva del Río*—a cave in Ardines near Ribadesella, excavated by E. Hernández-Pacheco and P. Wernert in 1915, contains industrial remains belonging to the Azilian (?) and probably to the Early Magdalenian.

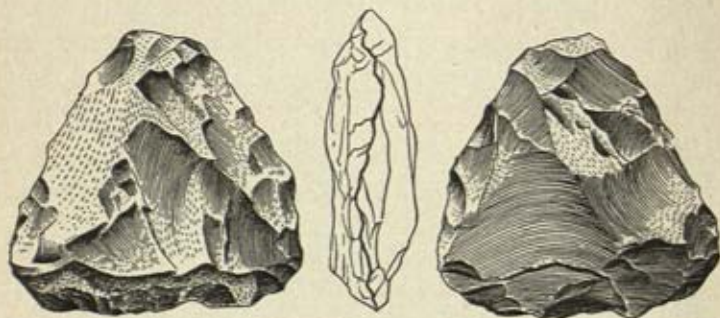


Fig. 79. Triangular hand ax of quartzite from the Cueva del Conde, Tuñón, now in the collection of Count de la Vega del Sella.

*One-half actual size.*

*Ferrán (Peña de Ferrán)*—a cave near Infiesto explored by A. Argüelles, which contains a Magdalenian deposit with harpoons of Cantabrian type with one row of barbs.

*Cueva del Conde (Cueva del Forno)*—a cave near Tuñón, Santo Adriano, discovered and explored in 1915 by Count de la Vega del Sella, whose results are as yet unpublished. The stratification reported is as follows:

- c Dark earth, recently disturbed—25 cm.—containing abundant implements of quartzite and a few of flint, some of which are forms typical of the Late Aurignacian.
- b Dark reddish layer—25 cm.—containing numerous implements of coarsely worked quartzite, also flint implements, scarce but typical, some plain bone awls, and fragments of bone points with cleft base, belonging to the Middle Aurignacian. One molar of Merck's rhinoceros. In the same layer were found implements typical of the Early Mousterian, generally much weathered, characterized by a thin and narrow hand ax of triangular form

(Figure 79) and by small implements. These are doubtless due to some early disturbance of the deposit.

a Sterile layer of red clay.

*Collubil*—a cave near Cangas de Onís, in the district of Amieba, discovered and explored by Count de la Vega del Sella, whose results are as yet unpublished, which contains a Magdalenian industry consisting exclusively of implements of quartzite.

In the region of Oviedo are found the following:

*Sofoxó*—a cave in the district of San Pedro de Nora, near Trubia, discovered and explored (1915-1916) by Count de la Vega del Sella in collaboration with H. Obermaier. It contains a Magdalenian deposit with a harpoon with one row of barbs, and an awl ornamented with a conventionalized ibex head.

*Soto de las Regueras*—Grado, in the zone of high alluvial deposits lying between Valduno and Soto de las Regueras, has afforded Acheulean hand axes in quartzite, discovered in 1915 by J. Cabré.

*Cueva de la Paloma*—near Soto de las Regueras, Grado, explored in 1914-1915 for the Comisión de Investigaciones Paleontológicas y Prehistóricas under the direction of E. Hernández-Pacheco with the coöperation of Count de la Vega del Sella both years, of J. Cabré in 1914, and of P. Wernert in 1915. A treasure seeker had so completely disturbed the deposits that in no single spot was it possible to establish a clear and trustworthy stratigraphic succession. The following grouping, therefore, must be considered as a purely arbitrary restoration, and as correcting our earlier expressed views, founded on the report of others.

d Recent detritus containing remains from the Age of Metals and from Neolithic times, apparently with numerous Neolithic sepultures.

c Azilian industry, abundant in typical flints and various bone awls, also one flat harpoon.

b Late Magdalenian, including harpoons with one and two rows of barbs (some with the base perforated laterally), various engravings, and a number of bone implements such as awls, spatulas, and javelin points (Figure 46).



- a* Early Magdalenian, including an undecorated ceremonial staff, various engravings on bone and bosses of stone, fine needles, and a quantity of other bone implements.

*Peña de Candamo*—a cave near San Román de Candamo, which contains a scanty Solutrean deposit with remains of cave hyena and marmot, found in 1916, in a small cave directly adjoining the above, by E. Hernández-Pacheco and P. Wernert, and explored by them.

#### BURGOS

*Aceña*—a rock shelter near Santo Domingo de Silos, discovered in 1910 by J. Carballo and Saturio González, which contains Late Palæolithic deposits, probably Aurignacian, with points of La Gravette type.

*Barranco del Río Lobo*—a rock shelter near Montoria del Pinar, containing a deposit which is probably Mousterian, discovered by H. Breuil and Saturio González.

*Cueva del Caballón*—a cave near Oña, discovered and explored in 1915 by J. M. Rodríguez Fernández, which contains a Magdalenian deposit with a ceremonial staff (*bâton de commandement*) ornamented with a conventionalized ibex head.

*La Blanca*—a cave near Oña, discovered and explored by J. M. Rodríguez Fernández, which contains traces of Aurignacian (?) and Mousterian industry with remains of the beaver.

#### LOGROÑO

*Peña de la Miel*—the lower cave, on the bank of the river Iregua, discovered by L. Zubia and explored by L. Lartet in 1865, containing Late Palæolithic deposits.

The Palæolithic stations so far discovered in central Spain are found in the following provinces:

#### SALAMANCA

*Salamanca* and environs—numerous indications of Acheulean and Mousterian occupation, found partly *upon*, and partly embedded *in* the diluvial shatter terraces of the river Tormes. The discovery sites occur both on the left bank (Matadero, Fuente de Carpihuelo, Teso de la Feria) and on the right (Toma de Aguas), and have afforded finely worked

hand axes and similar implements of quartz and quartzite. They were discovered in 1921 by H. Obermaier, and their investigation has been carried on by César Morán.

## SORIA

*Barranco del Río Ucero*—a scanty Mousterian deposit in the open, discovered in 1912 by H. Breuil and Saturio González.

*Cerrada de la Solana*—a rock shelter near Carrascosa de Arriba, Caraceña, discovered in 1912 by J. Cabré, whose results are as yet unpublished. It contains an Acheulean deposit with very characteristic hand axes in quartzite.

*Torralba*—near Fuencaliente de Medinaceli. This station is situated on the northern slope of the Sierra Ministra at a height of 1112 meters above sea level, and at the junction of the Soria railroad with the line from Madrid to Saragossa. This Palæolithic industry is found embedded in the shore of an ancient lake and constitutes an absolutely uniform deposit of clay sediment, 50 to 90 cm. in depth. The fauna and industry are remarkably homogeneous, from which it would seem impossible that there has been any secondary intermixture with elements belonging to later ages. Above this deposit lies sterile marl, over three feet in depth, and above that is a layer of weathered red clay.

This deposit was discovered through digging a trench in the course of railroad construction, in 1888, and numerous remains of elephants were collected at the time, part of which were acquired by the School of Mines in Madrid. But our knowledge of its nature is due to the systematic study and exploration of the site by the Marquis of Cerralbo, who has devoted himself to this work ever since 1907 (30).

The fauna includes the straight-tusked elephant, a few specimens of which somewhat resemble the southern elephant, and also the rhinoceros, wild ox, stag, and horse.<sup>3</sup> The industry is a well-advanced Chellean, as shown by a series of hand axes in quartzite and chalcedony. The worked hand axes of limestone are exceedingly primitive in type, doubtless because of the difficulty of working such unpromising material (Figures 21, 24, 25, and 80). The small artefacts associated with these are variable in type, some being primi-



tive and others quite well developed, as is also the case with contemporary deposits in France.

It is very probable that other deposits of the same nature will be found in the neighboring territory close to the same ancient lake. This seems to be indicated by the remains of fossil animals recently discovered near Ambrona.

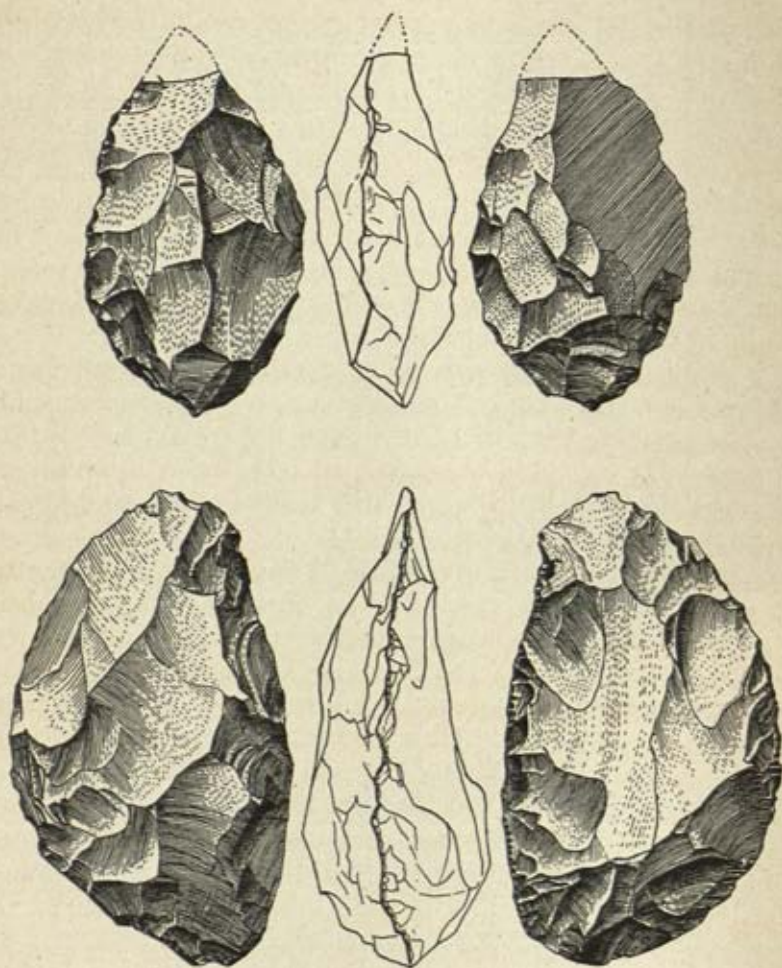


Fig. 80. Two Chellean hand axes, one of quartzite and one of chaledony, from Torralba, now in the collection of the Marquis de Cerralbo.

*Two-fifths actual size.*

## SARAGOSSA

In the environs of *Saragossa*—traces of Chellean and Acheulean industry were found in the alluvial deposits of the river Ebro, according to preliminary investigations made by H. Obermaier in 1918 and 1919.

## GUADALAJARA

Environs of *Aguilar de Anguita* and *Alcolea del Pinar*—deposits in the open which probably include Late Palæolithic industry, and certainly Tardenoisian. (Collections of the Marquis of Cerralbo.)

*Casas de Uceda*—near Cogolludo, with Mousterian industrial remains in the open, along the Jarama River, discovered in 1921 by J. Pérez de Barradas.

## MADRID

The sites described below are all in the neighborhood of the city of Madrid. The following are found on the right bank of the river Manzanares:

*Casa de Campo*—with Mousterian industry discovered by J. Pérez de Barradas at a depth of two meters, embedded in red loam (31).

*San Isidro*—a site exceedingly rich in Palæolithic material, served for many years as a source of sand and gravel for the neighboring city. More than fifty years ago the geologist, Casiano de Prado (32), aroused great scientific interest in the place, and following him a number of specialists explored it, but, unfortunately, no systematic observation and research were made in regard to the stratification, fauna, and industry. The sand pit is now worked out and destroyed, and we are therefore reduced to reconstructing the following arbitrary industrial stratification, based on the indications given by early investigators and on the traces still visible in what remains of the section.

- |   |        |
|---|--------|
| e Sand with clay and vegetable mould  | 1.5 m. |
| d Reddish gray sand, almost all coarse, part with horizontal stratification, part contorted, containing some beds of clay | 7-8 m. |
| c Dark bluish gray clay with elephant remains and pockets of fine white sand, indicating former pools of water            | 3-3 m. |



*b* Gravel formed by swift-flowing water

3 m.

C. de Prado and other early investigators refer to the fact that there was in this deposit an archaeological horizon with faunal remains (elephant). In truth, and in view of the specimens in the Anthropological Museum of Madrid, which consist of a small series of typical Chellean implements more or less worn and rounded, we consider that they could be derived only from this level (Figures 22, 23).

*a* Base—Middle Miocene deposits with remains of *Anchitherium* and *Mastodon angustidens*. These deposits form the actual bed of the Manzanares in which the river flows.

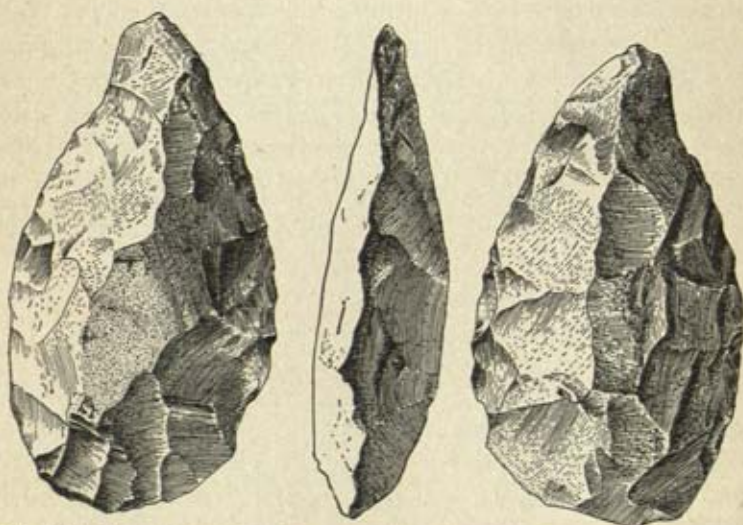


Fig. 81. A sandstone hand ax (coup de poing) of Early Acheulean type from San Isidro.

*One-third actual size.*

Layer *c* and especially layer *d* comprise the Acheulean deposits, which appear to have been quite prolific in industrial remains. These include magnificent types of Early Acheulean implements which have not been waterworn (Figures 27-30 and 81). From the various indications it may be gathered that this industry was distributed throughout the deposit of sand—not uniformly, however,

but in several strata, separated from each other by sterile layers. The same seems to have been the case with the fauna, which consists of stag, wild ox, horse, and an elephant related to the straight-tusked elephant group. There are also indications of Late Acheulean and Mousterian industry. It must not be overlooked that among the specimens in the Anthropological Museum of Madrid there are some modern forgeries.

In view of the loss to science at San Isidro, it is the more gratifying to know that, ever since 1914, Paul Wernert has devoted himself to investigating the neighborhood of Madrid in accordance with the latest scientific methods. Through his researches—most ably supported by José Pérez de Barradas—it is shown that, especially during the Early Palæolithic, the region of the Manzanares was thickly settled, and therefore promises to be of prime importance for the history of Palæolithic man in western Europe. Although the discoveries of Paul Wernert and J. Pérez de Barradas (33) have just recently been published (in part), it is to their especial friendship that I am indebted for the complete list and descriptions following.

*Sand pit of Domingo Martínez*—discovered and studied by P. Wernert and J. Pérez de Barradas. The stratification is as follows:

- |  |        |
|--|--------|
| g Vegetable mould.   |        |
| f Reddish sand.  |        |
| e Dense clay   | 3.5 m. |
| d Fine sand  | 2. m.  |
| c Greenish clay  | 1.4 m. |
| b Comparatively fine gravel  | 3.5 m. |
| with Early Mousterian industry, including triangular hand axes, disc-shaped nuclei, points, serapers, Levallois flakes, and blades of flint and quartzite. |        |
| a Tertiary deposits.   |        |

*Sand pit of Domingo Portero*—discovered and studied by the same. Stratification as follows:

- c Vegetable mould.
- b Fine gravel, with Early Mousterian industry.
- a Tertiary deposits.



*Tile kiln of Don Joaquín*—discovered and studied by the same, contains clayey reddish sand with Late Mousterian industry.

*Tile kiln "Parador del Sol"*—discovered and studied by the same, contains sand and gravel with Chellean industry.

*Sand pit "Vaquerías del Torero"*—discovered and studied by the same. Stratification as follows:



Fig. 82. Small hand axes of quartzite belonging to the Mousterian, from the Vaquerías del Torero, Madrid, now in the collection of P. Wernert and J. Pérez de Barradas.

*One-third actual size.*

- h* Vegetable mould.
- g* Dense clay, with remains of wild ox.
- f* Gravel and sand, with Early Mousterian implements (Figure 82).
- e* Clay, with remains of wild ox.
- d* Fine gravel, with various phases of Acheulean industry, including typical hand axes.
- c* White sand.
- b* Gravel, with coarsely worked and much worn hand axes of very primitive Chellean type. There are also small implements, not waterworn and therefore more recent.
- a* Tertiary deposits.

*Sand pit "La Parra"*—discovered and studied by the same, contains sand with Mousterian industry.

*Sotillo*—discovered and studied by the same. Stratification as follows:

- h* Vegetable mould, with Neolithic flints, fauna, and pottery.
- g* Clayey earth, with remains of Neolithic huts.
- f* Fine gravel mixed with reddish sand, containing a Mousterian industry of great interest on account of the hand axes, double-ended points ("pseudo-Solutrean"), discs, plain points, scrapers, planing tools, and blades, together with remains of horse, wild ox, and stag, and shells of the genus *Nassa*.
- e* Clay, with layers of fine sand, containing Acheulean industry.
- d* White sand, with an industry in blades of a very specialized type, which seem to intimate the possible existence of a hitherto unknown Early Palæolithic "Pre-Capsian" industry, together with remains of stag and horse.
- c* Sand.
- b* Coarse gravel, with Acheulean industry intermixed with older Chellean types, and remains of horse.
- a* Tertiary deposits.

*Sand pit "Prado de los Laneros"*—discovered and studied by the same, contains sand with Mousterian industry.

*El Atajillo*—discovered and studied by the same, contains loam with industrial remains belonging to the Late Palæolithic, presumably Aurignacian.

*Lopez Cañamero*—discovered and studied by the same. Stratification as follows:

- d* Vegetable mould.
- c* Earth with Neolithic pottery, flints, and fauna.
- b* Reddish sand with fine gravel. Mousterian industry.
- a* Tertiary deposits.

*Portazgo tile kiln*—discovered and studied by the same. Stratification as follows:

- g* Vegetable mould.
- f* Reddish clay intermixed with fine gravel. Late Palæolithic industry of Early Aurignacian or Capsian type, consisting of graving tools (burins), scrapers, discoidal planing tools, blades, etc. Fauna—horse.
- e* Whitish clayey earth, with Late Mousterian industry of Abri Audi type.



- d* Reddish sand.
- c* Clay.
- b* Fine gravel, with indications of Early Palæolithic industry consisting of a Mousterian subsequently intermixed with Acheulean and much worn Chellean implements.
- a* Tertiary deposit.

The sites directly following lie within the municipal limits of Villaverde, south of Madrid.

*Las Carolinas*—discovered in 1911 by Alejandro Guinea Unzaga, and studied in 1916 by H. Obermaier (34). Stratification as follows:

- g* Vegetable mould  
with remains of the Age of Copper. 30–40 cm.
- f* Dense clayey sand 120–130 cm.
- e* Dense gray sand 50 cm.
- d* Fine reddish sand 30–40 cm.
- c* Dense gray clay 35–45 cm.
- b* Fine whitish sand with pockets of clay  
with industry of the Abri Audi type, that is to say,  
transitional from the Early to the Late Palæolithic. 35–100 cm.
- a* Fine sand, with Mousterian industry and remains of hare.

*Sand pit Fuente de la Bruja*—discovered and studied by P. Wernert and J. Pérez de Barradas. Stratification as follows:

- f* Vegetable mould.
- e* Red clay with Late Palæolithic industry.
- d* White earth.
- c* Clayey sand, with Early Mousterian industry.
- b* White sand.
- a* Tertiary deposit.

*Pozos de Feitó*—discovered by the same. Stratification as follows:

- d* Vegetable mould.
- c* Deposit consisting of alternate layers of gravel, sand, and clay.
- b* Gravel, with Mousterian industry.
- a* Tertiary deposit.

*Casa del Moreno*—discovered by the same. Stratification as follows:

- e* Vegetable mould.
- d* White earth, with Palæolithic industry of indeterminate character.
- c* Clay.
- b* Gravel, with Mousterian industry.
- a* Tertiary deposit.

*Los Rosales*—discovered by the same, contains loam and sand with Mousterian industry.

*Villaverde Bajo* (section by the railway station)—discovered by the same, contains loam with an exceedingly fine Acheulean industry.

*Olivar de la Granja*—in the valley of the Culebro Brook, within the municipal limits of Getafe, discovered by the same. Stratification as follows:

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| <i>f</i> Vegetable mould                       | 10 cm.  |
| <i>e</i> Loam                                  | 90 cm.  |
| <i>d</i> Reddish sand                          | 270 cm. |
| <i>c</i> White sand                            |         |
| <i>b</i> Whitish sand with Mousterian industry | 30 cm.  |
| <i>a</i> Reddish sand with Mousterian industry | 80 cm.  |

Stations situated on the left bank of the Manzanares, and also within the neighborhood of the city of Madrid, are the following:

*Las Delicias*—situated in the district of Las Delicias and actually within the limits of the railway station of the line from Madrid to Cáceres, was discovered in 1917 by Alejandro Guinea Unzaga, and explored by H. Obermaier and P. Wernert (35). Stratification as follows:

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| <i>d</i> Vegetable mould mixed with clay, with indications of Palæolithic industry | 120 cm. |
| <i>c</i> Dense clay  | 150 cm. |
| <i>b</i> Sandy deposit   | 5-8 cm. |
| <i>a</i> Tertiary clay.  |         |

At the base of layer *c*, in layer *b*, and on the surface of layer *a* was found an industry typical of the final Acheulean, with exceedingly fine and thin hand axes, so perfect as almost to recall the Solutrean types (Figure 32).

*Cerro Negro*—within the municipal limits of Vallecas, dis-



covered by P. Wernert and J. Pérez de Barradas, contains an Acheulean industry in a deposit of greenish clay.

*El Almendro*—within the municipal limits of Villaverde and about six and a quarter miles south of the site of San

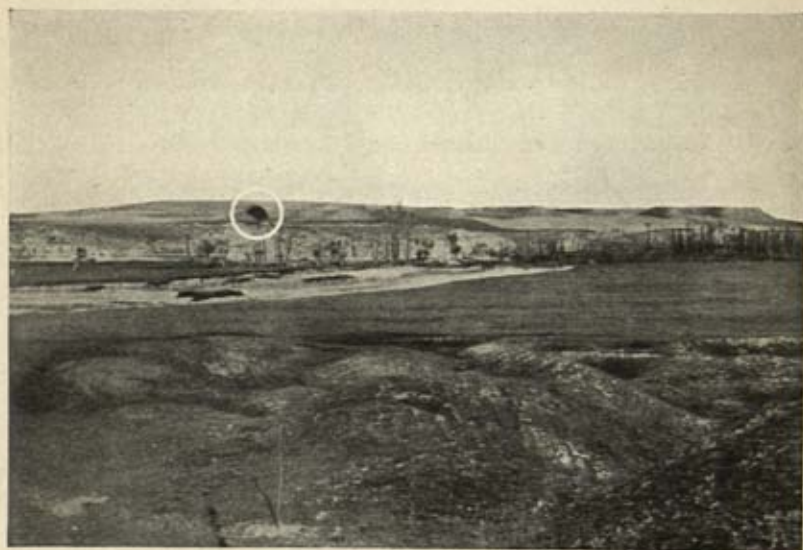


Fig. 83. Discovery site of El Almendro, Villaverde, in the neighborhood of Madrid. These deposits, which contain an Early Mousterian industry with numerous hand axes, are about 50 feet above the present river bed of the Manzanares. The place is shaded by a large solitary almond tree (in Spanish, "almendro") from which the site receives its name.

Isidro (Figure 83), discovered by the same (36). Stratification as follows:

- b* Gravel, not very coarse, with Early Mousterian industry which includes numerous hand axes. At the base an industry which may possibly be Chellean.
- a* Gypseous marl of the Tertiary.

*La Gavia*—within the municipal limits of Villaverde, discovered by the same (37), contains sand with Mousterian industry.

*Stone Quarries of Vallecas*—discovered (1919) and de-

scribed by H. Obermaier, P. Wernert, and J. Pérez de Barradas (38). The railway cutting at this site shows the following stratification:

- f* Humus.
- e* Loam.
- d* Loamy sand with abundant Mousterian industry.
- c* White sandy marl.
- b* Red sand, with an industry transitional from Acheulean to Mousterian.
- a* Grayish green marl with a scanty Acheulean industry.

Besides these, a number of discoveries of secondary importance have also been made in this region, chiefly in the open and scattered over the surface.

*Algete*—near Alcalá de Henares, a Chellean site lying between the village of Algete and the Jarama River, discovered in 1921 by J. Pérez de Barradas.

*Las Zorreras*—near Alcobendas (Colmenar Viejo), an Acheulean site, discovered in 1921 by the same.

#### TOLEDO

*Illescas*—a station in the open, with indications of industrial remains suggestive of the Mousterian and Late Palæolithic cultures, discovered by L. Fernández-Navarro and P. Wernert in 1917.

*Toledo*—Quaternary shotter on the right bank of the Tagus, with atypical implements of the Early Palæolithic, discovered in 1920 by J. Pérez de Barradas (39).

#### CIUDAD REAL

*La Tabernera (Hoz del Río Frío)*—a rock shelter near Solanilla del Tamaral, containing a Late Palæolithic deposit with atypical quartzites, discovered by H. Breuil and H. Obermaier in 1912.

*Chillón*—near Almadén, a deposit in the open, probably Chellean and Mousterian, discovered by H. Breuil in 1916.

#### CÁCERES

*Alia*—an important Mousterian deposit in the open, discovered by H. Breuil in 1916.



## BADAJOZ

All the stations in this province were discovered and described by H. Breuil (40).

*Albuquerque-Codosera*—a site in the open on the bank of the river Gevora, containing a Chelleo-Acheulean deposit.

*Mérida*—a site in the open, in the alluvial deposits of the river Guadiana, containing Chellean implements of quartzite and sandstone.

*San Serván (Calamonte)*—a site in the open, south of Mérida, containing Mousterian industry in quartzite.

*Alange*—a site in the open, south of Mérida, containing an Acheulean (?) industry.

*Muro de Helechosa*—a site in the open, with an Early Palæolithic industry in quartzite.

*Fuenlabrada de los Montes*—an important site in the open, containing Acheulean industry in quartzite.

*Peñalsordo*—near Capilla, containing Mousterian industry in the open, and Chellean (?) in the terraces of the river Zujar.

*Tamurejo Baterno*—a site in the open, with Acheulean and Mousterian industry in quartzite.

## SOUTHERN SPAIN

## CORDOVA

*Posadas-Almodóvar del Río*—on the shores of the Guadalquivir near the city of Cordova, containing Chellean industry associated with remains of the straight-tusked elephant, according to Salvador Calderón and J. Vilanova.

## JAÉN

*Aldeaquemada*—a site in the open, near Santisteban del Puerto, with a Mousterian industry in quartzite, discovered by H. Breuil and J. Cabré in 1913.

*Despeñaperros*—near Santa Elena, which contains implements of quartzite belonging to the Early Palæolithic. According to J. Calvo and J. Cabré (1916) they were found in the open in the "Atajo de los Arcos."

*La Puerta*—a site in the open on the shores of the Guadalmir, discovered by H. Breuil and J. Cabré, which contains Mousterian industry in quartzite.

*Puente Mocho*—archæologic deposits in the open in the olive gardens on the banks of the Guadalimar between the bridge of Beas as far as the slope of the Botos de Campillo, and containing Chellean, Acheulean, and Mousterian implements in quartzite. The most important site extends about a third of a mile on either side of the Puente Mocho. Discovered by H. Breuil and J. Cabré in 1913, and described by J. Cabré and P. Wernert (41).

## CADIZ

*Arcos de la Frontera*—where traces of Palæolithic industry were found in the sulphur mine "Señor del Perdón" by Claudio Sanz Arizmendi in 1908. The implements—made mostly of flint, more rarely of quartzite—were found *in situ* in the conglomerate which lies, almost horizontally, directly above the sulphur lode. I have seen the originals (eleven specimens), and they impressed me as belonging to a well-developed Mousterian.

*Lake Janda*—where deposits in the open, mostly in contact with the "tierras negras" (black earth), have been found to the south and east of the lake. They belong to the Chellean, Acheulean, and Mousterian cultures, and were discovered, some in 1913 by E. Hernández-Pacheco and J. Cabré, and others in 1914 by H. Breuil (42). The presence of any Late Palæolithic industry is very doubtful.

*Los Barrios and Castellar de la Frontera*—north of Algeciras, where H. Breuil discovered, in 1916, Chellean and Acheulean implements of quartzite, very much worn, embedded in Pleistocene gravels.

*The Rock of Gibraltar*—until very recently has yielded only fossil remains, nor did the latest excavations of W. L. H. Duckworth show any traces of Palæolithic industry. In 1919, however, H. Breuil discovered a rock shelter at the foot of Rock-Gun and opposite the Devil Tower, which contained hearths of Pleistocene age. Stone implements were very scarce, but unmistakably of Mousterian type. The fauna included the horse, wild ox, brown bear, wild boar, stag, ibex, and rabbit, with remains of tortoise and numerous molluscs (43). The human skull of Pleistocene age found in Forbes Quarry is described on page 288.



## MÁLAGA

*Bobadilla*—a site in the open, with Mousterian industry, in part beneath a layer of clay, discovered in 1912 by H. Breuil, H. Obermaier, and J. Cabré.

*Hoyo de la Mina*—a cave near La Cala del Moral in the environs of the city of Málaga, discovered by M. Such in 1917, which contains abundant Neolithic material and also a Palæolithic deposit. The excavations, which are but just begun, have yielded numerous implements of flint—including various kinds of graving tools, small planing tools, and a few Tardenoisian forms—which give the impression that the industry should be assigned to the final phase of the Palæolithic. The fauna consists of wild ox, horse, hare, and stag (44).

## GRANADA

Explorations conducted in 1916 by H. Obermaier resulted in the discovery of the Palæolithic stations described below.

In the region of Moreda are found the following:

*Puntal*—a cave in the foothills of the Sierra de Harana and within the municipal limits of Darro, which contains breccias with Mousterian industry and indications of Late Palæolithic industry. Fauna—horse.

*Horá*—a cave, also within the municipal limits of Darro, with breccia containing a fine Mousterian industry with remains of stag and horse (Figure 84, *c* and *d*). In the open at the very foot of this cave were found indications of Mousterian and Aurignacian industry.

*Llano de Huélago*—a site in the open, west of the railway station of Huélago, where were found Palæolithic flints of Mousterian (?) and Aurignacian age.

In the region of Piñar are found the following:

*Cerillo de Orea*—in the Barranco del Carrizal about a mile and a quarter north of Piñar, a deposit in the open, with Late Palæolithic industry.

*Fuente de la Zarza*—about one-third of a mile east of Piñar, a station in the open with typical Mousterian industry and vestiges of a scanty Capsian (Figure 84, *a* and *b*).

In the region of Iznalloz are found the following deposits,

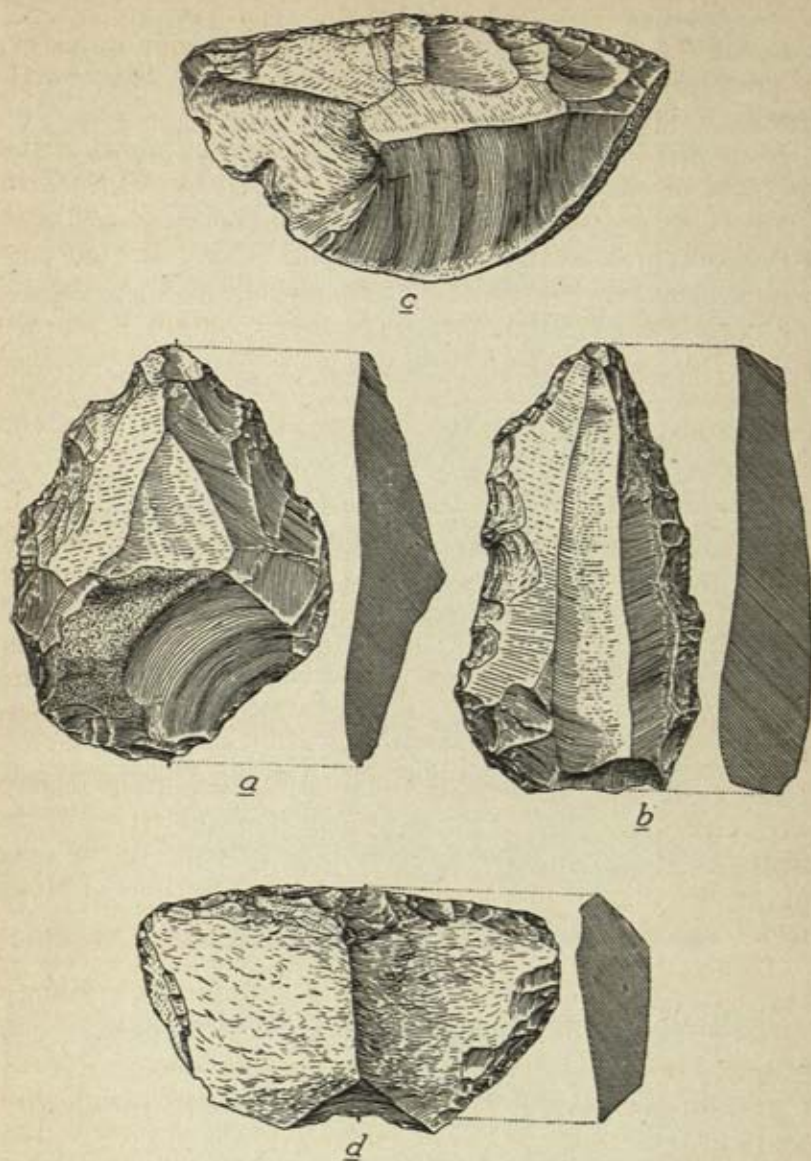


Fig. 84. Fine Mousterian scrapers (*c, d*) from Cueva Horá, Granada.  
 Fine Mousterian point and flake (*a, b*) from the Fuente de la  
 Zarza, Granada.

*Actual size.*



all of which occur in the open, to the west and northwest of Iznalloz.

*Loma del Rubio*—with indications of Mousterian (?) and Early Capsian industry, and perhaps also Late Capsian.

*Llano de la Venta de las Navas*—with Mousterian and Aurignacian industry.

*Venta de las Navas*—with Mousterian and Aurignacian industry.

*Haza de la Cabaña*—with Mousterian, Proto-Aurignacian, and Capsian industry.

#### ALMERÍA

In the environs of Vélez Blanco the three following sites were discovered by F. de Motos and H. Breuil.

*Ambrosio*—a cave containing Late Capsian industry.

*La Cueva Chiquita de los Treinta*—a rock shelter near Chirivel, with Capsian industry and a Solutrean (?) arrow-point.

*Fuente de los Molinos*—a rock shelter with Late Capsian industry.

In the neighborhood of Cuevas de Vera are the following:

*Serrón*—a cave with Capsian industry, discovered by L. Siret.

*Caves of Zájara*—two caves with Capsian industry, discovered by L. Siret.

*Cueva Humosa*—a cave near Albos, with Capsian industry, discovered by L. Siret.

### EASTERN AND NORTHEASTERN SPAIN

#### MURCIA

In the region of Mazarrón-Lorca are the seven caves named below, with Palæolithic deposits, all of which were discovered by L. Siret (Figures 88 and 89).

*Palomarico*—with Mousterian and Capsian industry.

*Las Pernerias*—with Mousterian and Capsian and a Solutrean (?) laurel-leaf point.

*La Bermeja*—with Mousterian, and Early, Late, and final phases of Capsian industry.

*Las Palomas*—with Capsian industry.

*La Tazona*—with Capsian industry.

*Cueva de los Tollos*—with Capsian industry.

*Cueva del Tesoro*—with Capsian industry.

There is also the rock shelter of *Monte El Arabi*, near Yecla, discovered by H. Breuil in 1914, with Capsian industry and one laurel-leaf point (?).

#### ALBACETE

*Montealegre*—a station in the open near the "Cortijo del Conde," discovered by H. Obermaier in 1916, with Late Palæolithic industry.

*Minateda*—a station in the open near Hellín, in the Barranco del Canalizo, with Mousterian industry, discovered by H. Breuil in 1916.

#### ALICANTE

*Aspe*—a station in the open, with Mousterian industry, discovered by D. Jiménez de Cisneros.

*Los Calaveres de Benidoleig*—a cave near Denia, with Early Palæolithic industry (one hand ax), and an atypical Late Palæolithic industry, discovered by H. Breuil in 1913.

*Cueva del Cuervo*—a cave near Ondara, with typical Mousterian industry, discovered by H. Breuil in 1913.

#### VALENCIA

*Cueva del Parpalló*—a cave near Gandía, explored by J. Vilanova, E. Boscá, and H. Breuil, containing Capsian industry and a flat stone with the head of a lynx (?) engraved upon it, discovered by Breuil (45) in 1913 (Figure 85).

*Las Maravillas (Cova de les Maravelles)*—a cave near Gandía, with Capsian industry, discovered by J. Vilanova and H. Breuil.

*San Nicolás*—a cave near Ollería, explored by E. Boscá, which contains Aurignacian industry.

*Cova Negra*—a cave near Játiva, explored by J. Vilanova, E. Boscá, and M. Juan, which contains Early Aurignacian industry.

*El Collado*—a deposit in the open, near Oliva, which contains an atypical Late Palæolithic industry, discovered by E. Boscá.

*La Truche (Turche)*—a rock shelter near Buñol, with Capsian industry, discovered by H. Breuil in 1913.



## TERUEL

*Cocinilla del Obispo*—a station in the open, near Albarra-cín, with Capsian industry, discovered by H. Breuil and J. Cabré.

*Calapatá*—a rock shelter near Cretas, with Late Palæolithic industry, discovered by H. Breuil and J. Cabré.



Fig. 85. A flat piece of limestone from the Cueva del Parpalló, engraved with the head of a lynx (?). After H. Breuil.

*Actual size.*

*El Charco del Agua Amarga*—a rock shelter near Alcañiz, with Late Palæolithic deposits investigated by J. Cabré in 1914, and by H. Obermaier and P. Wernert in 1919.

*Dels Secans*—a rock shelter on the Matarraña Brook near Mazaleón. Near this shelter, in 1917, L. Pérez Temprado and J. Cabré found a number of stone implements which seem to be Palæolithic and suggest the Solutrean.

*Alcañiz*—stations in the open, with traces of the final phases of Late Palæolithic industry, judging from the collection of V. Bardaviu Ponz.

*Albalate del Arzobispo*—stations in the open, with traces of Palæolithic industry, judging from the collection named above.

## TARRAGONA

*Constanti* (?)—near Tarragona, reported as the discovery site of an Acheulean hand ax, but this is doubtful.

## LÉRIDA

*Cogul*—a station in the open, near Lérida, with Late Cap-sian industry, discovered by Ramond Huguet.

## BARCELONA

*Romaní (Bauma del Fossar Vell)*—a rock shelter near Capellades-Igualada, discovered by Amador Romaní Guerra in 1909, and explored by the same and by L. M. Vidal (46). Stratification as follows:

- b* Magdalenian deposit, with many implements of flint and a few of bone. The presence of a human thigh bone and of a great number of perforated marine shells (*Cypræa pyrum*, *Nassa reticulata*, *Nassa mutabilis*, *Neritula neritea*, *Pleurotoma*, *Mitra striatula*) gives ground for the supposition that these may be the remains of a Palæolithic sepulture that has been subsequently destroyed. Accompanying fauna—bear, cave hyena, wolf, stag, horse, ibex, wild boar, and rabbit.
- a* Mousterian deposit which we consider as probably of the Abri Audi type, a cultural phase intermediate between the final Mousterian and the Early Aurignacian. Accompanying fauna—cave hyena, stag, horse, and a species of lynx.

*Agut*—a site near Capellades-Igualada, discovered by J. Agut in 1910 and explored by A. Romaní Guerra and L. M. Vidal. Part of the material found here appears to be Palæolithic but hardly typical, possibly an atypical Aurignacian (?). Among the specimens are four human teeth of uncertain age.

## GERONA

*Caus de les Goyes (Caus de las Gojas)*—on the river Ter near San Julián de Ramís are two Palæolithic caves which we shall term San Julián de Ramís I and II (47).

No. I, explored in 1898 by M. Palol and F. Viñas, contains rather atypical artefacts, belonging probably to the final Magdalenian and to the Azilian.

No. II, explored in 1916 by M. Pallarés and P. Bosch Gimpera, has been studied by P. Wernert, whose conclusions are as yet unpublished. It contains an important Solutrean industry with laurel-leaf points, typical shouldered points, and also a new regional variant of the shouldered



point (Figure 91, *b*). Associated fauna—woolly mammoth, stag, horse, rabbit, and a species of lynx (*pardellus*).

*Serinyá* (*Bora Gran d'en Carreres*)—near Serinyá-Besalú, discovered in 1866 by J. Catá, and excavated by Pedro Alsius del Torrent (1871), E. Harlé (1881), and others (48), which contains traces of Azilian and, in particular, a fine Magdalenian industry, including a considerable number of bone implements. Among these are harpoons, both with single and double row of barbs, and an awl engraved with conventionalized ibex heads. There are also several modern forgeries in bone. The fauna includes wolf, horse, wild ox, Pyrenean ibex, chamois, stag, reindeer, roe deer, Dama deer, rabbit, wild boar, and a species of lynx (*pardellus*).

*Bañolas*—where an isolated human lower jaw was discovered, but without any accompanying Palæolithic artefacts (page 288).

#### PORTUGAL

Up to the present time the Palæolithic stations discovered in Portugal (49) belong almost exclusively to the Early Palæolithic, which seems to be very abundant. The material employed in making the implements is generally quartzite, which makes it often difficult to determine the exact cultural stage. The most important sites are here enumerated.

In Lisbon and its environs are found the stations of *Casal do Monte*, *Monsanto*, *Casal das Osgas*, *Amoreira*, *Agonia*, *Boticaria*, *Estrada de Aguda-Queluz*, *Minho das Cruces*, *Bica*, *Pedreiras*, *Casal da Serra*, *Peñas Alvas*, *Alto do Duque*, *Santo-Antão-do-Tojal*, *Zambujal*, and others, containing typical Chellean, Acheulean, and abundant Mousterian implements, according to C. Ribeiro, P. Choffat, Mesquita de Figueiredo, V. Correia, J. Fontes, P. Bouvier-Lapierre, H. Breuil, and other investigators.

The implements are generally found in the open, on the surface of the ground, but in some cases they have been found *in situ*, as, for instance, in the trenches of “*Calçada dos Mestres*” at *Monsanto*.

*Rabicha*—in the valley of Alcantara in the district of

Lisbon, discovered by A. A. da Fonseca Cardoso, contains Chellean (and Acheulean?) industry.

*Caldas da Rainha D. Leonor-Obidos*—in the district of Leiria, has yielded, according to F. Alves Pereira, both Chellean and Acheulean implements found in the open.

*Furninha*—a cave in Peniche, Cabo Carvoeiro, in the district of Leiria, explored by N. Delgado. The fauna, according to E. Harlé, includes remains of bear, striped hyena, wildcat, lynx, leopard, and Merck's rhinoceros. Traces of Mousterian industry were found at a depth of thirteen feet, and at twenty-three feet a hand ax of Chellean aspect.

*Leiria*—where Chellean hand axes have been found by C. Ribeiro, E. Cartailhac, and Tavares Proença.

*Mealhada*—in the district of Aveiro near Coimbra, discovered by Costa Simoes and studied by C. Ribeiro, N. Delgado, P. Choffat, and J. Fontes, which contains Chellean (Acheulean) hand axes scattered through the alluvial deposits and associated with remains of the straight-tusked elephant, stag, and horse.

In Oporto and its environs—namely, at *Oporto*, *Paços*, *Ervilha*, and *Castello do Queijo*—industrial remains of Chellean, Acheulean, and Mousterian type have been found, according to F. de Vasconcellos, C. Ribeiro, and F. Fontes.

*Arronches*—in the district of Portalegre, where Chellean and Acheulean implements, found for the most part *in situ* embedded in the ancient terrace of the river Caya, were discovered in 1916 by H. Breuil.

Only scanty vestiges of Late Palæolithic industry have been found in Portugal, barely sufficient "to justify the assertion of its existence" (H. Breuil). Certain "indications" of such are found at sites in the open near Lisbon, which might be attributed to an "Aurignacio-Capsian" industry.

*Serra dos Molianos*—a grotto near Alcobaça, also contains blades of "Late Palæolithic aspect," according to Breuil.

*Casa da Moura*—grottos near Cesareda which are still more interesting. Here Breuil reports finding, in deposits with fossilized remains of rabbits, fragments of stag horn javelins together with blades, flakes, planing tools, blades



with blunted back, etc., which "seem decidedly Magdalenian." This last word signifies, of course, for this region, the Late Capsian.

The stations of *Mugem*—in the valley of the Tagus, may be considered as Tardenoisian (pp. 324-326).

Glancing over the discoveries so far known, we are impressed by the fact that the Early Palæolithic culture was certainly abundantly distributed throughout the whole Iberian Peninsula. It is true that, as yet, no Pre-Chellean deposits have been found, but it is none the less certain that the presence of typical Chellean industry has been already demonstrated in the south, at Lake Janda, in the region of Algeciras, on the banks of the Guadalimar near Puente Mocho, and at Posadas; in the center, in the region of Madrid, and at Torralba; and in the west, in Estremadura, and in Portugal. It is, doubtless, an accident that as yet this culture has not been found in northern Spain; and it is to be expected that before long its presence here also will be demonstrated.

Moreover, there are numerous deposits with Acheulean industry, and it is not always possible definitely to distinguish this at all the sites from the preceding Chellean stage. This difficulty is partly due to the fact that at most of the stations in the open—such as Lake Janda and Puente Mocho—human occupation has been continuous, resulting in an intermixture of materials. In other cases the material chiefly used for the manufacture of artefacts is quartzite, which is hard to work and often results in coarse and clumsy forms which are very difficult to distinguish and classify.

Acheulean industry is found in the south in the same places named above for the Chellean; in the center, in the environs of Madrid and at the rock shelter of Cerrada de la Solana; in the west, in Estremadura and in Portugal; and in the east, at Constanti and at the cave of Benidoleig. In the north there are the two deposits at Castillo, as well as Astillero, San Felices de Buelna, Panes, and Posada—their industry characterized by implements generally large, clumsy, and more or less either amygdaloid or disc-like in form.

The Mousterian industry is found in all parts of Spain,



and when it has been investigated and studied in detail it will be possible, in all probability, to distinguish various local phases of its evolution. As a local form we have already drawn attention to the Mousterian quartzite implements at Castillo (Figure 71) and at the cave of Morín—both in the province of Santander—which are not in any sense hand axes, but rather large and comparatively narrow flakes with the under side unworked.

If we consider that the true Chellean is entirely wanting in central Europe, we are driven to the conclusion that this culture reached France and England, not from the east, but from the south. As connecting links between these countries and northern Africa we find Italy and—still more important—Spain. The Strait of Gibraltar was by no means an impassable barrier, as it would have been quite possible to cross it on some primitive kind of raft. The same route was followed by the Acheulean culture, while the Mousterian—in our opinion—reached Spain by way of northern Europe, as has been previously set forth (see pp. 88-90 and Figure 37). This explains why, in many cases, a typical Mousterian industry is found actually intermixed with types of the Late Acheulean, so that here (as also at Saint-Acheul in northern France) the triangular hand ax occurs frequently in Mousterian deposits.

Of special importance in this connection is the fact that the Mousterian industry of Madrid—which has already been the subject of expert and detailed investigation at the sand pit of Sotillo and other sites—presents in certain strata, in addition to the ordinary types of implements found in all Mousterian deposits, fine flint blades and other similar types, such as blades with blunted backs, scrapers, etc. These show a surprising similarity to Late Palæolithic work, although their stratigraphic position indicates that they are much older. This suggests the hypothesis that, on the introduction of the typical Mousterian and contemporary with it, another cultural phase, essentially different from the Acheulean and Mousterian, was already established, at least in certain parts of central and southern Spain. Perhaps it originated in Africa, and it might be designated—provi-



sionally—as “Pre-Capsian,” since its typical forms might easily be considered as precursors of the Capsian industry.

Far more complicated, especially in Spain, is the succession of the Late Palæolithic industries. As we have already had occasion to insist (page 114), the Mousterian in northern Africa is followed by the Early Capsian. This Capsian phase is characterized by a mixture of forms belonging to the Early Aurignacian (Châtelperron point) and to the Late Aurignacian (La Gravette point)—forms which in France are found separated by a Middle Aurignacian industry (Figure 86).

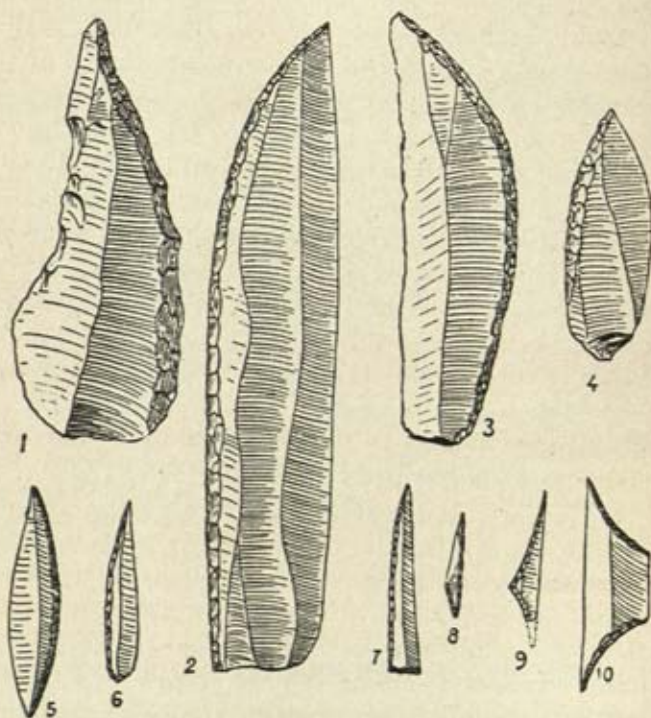


Fig. 86. Capsian implements from Tunis, Africa, showing their course of evolution from the primitive flake with blunted back (1) through forms resembling the types of Châtelperron and La Gravette into the final geometric types. After H. Breuil. Localities: 2, 9 El Mekta. 4, 6 Ain Kerma. 3, 7, 8, 10 Bir Khamfus. 5 Sidi Mansour.

*Three-fifths actual size.*

Unfortunately hardly any systematic excavations have been made in central and southern Spain, where also, up to the present time, no sites have been found with a number of superimposed industrial deposits belonging to the Late Palæolithic. In spite of this, and thanks chiefly to the investigations of L. Siret, it is possible to draw the conclusion that the industries of these regions present striking analogies to the Capsian of Africa, and that during the



Fig. 87. Map showing the distribution of the Early Capsian and Aurignacian industries in the Iberian Peninsula. Dots indicate the extension of the Early Capsian (=Early and Late Aurignacian), and dashes indicate the extension of the Middle Aurignacian.

Aurignacian stage Spain constituted a route of migration from Africa to France. The Middle Aurignacian, on the other hand, is of northern (French) origin, and apparently extended southward only as far as the Cantabrian region, where it is typically represented at the cave of Castillo, the cave of Morín, Hornos de la Peña, the Cueva del Conde, and other sites (Figure 87).

Similar conditions prevailed during the second half of the Late Palæolithic, corresponding to the Solutreo-Magdalebian in France. Central and southern Spain were absolutely



under the influence of the Late Capsian of northern Africa, and during this period the types of the Early Capsian were modified, generally through a reduction in size and an evolution toward the geometric forms (Figures 88 and 89), gradually acquiring the final aspect of the "Tardenoisian." This industry, which is a continuation of the final phase of the Capsian, is discussed in Chapter X.

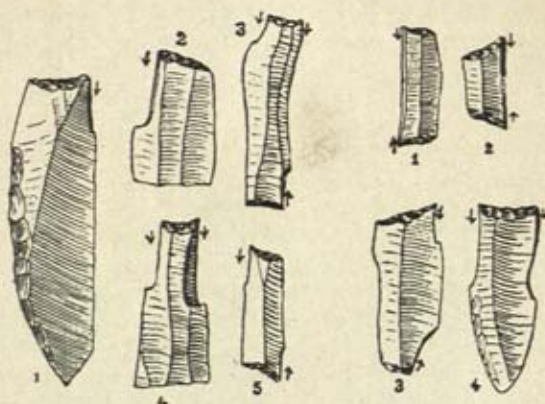


Fig. 88. Capsian implements. *Left*: Lateral graving tools with transverse retouch, from Tunis. After H. Breuil. *Right*: Similar types from Murcia, after L. Siret. Localities: 1, 3 Cueva del Palomarico. 2 Cueva de las PERNERAS. 4 Cueva de las Palomas.

*One-half actual size.*

The true Solutrean culture penetrated from France (page 119), it would seem, only into the north of the Iberian Peninsula (Figure 90). Here it is found in the Cantabrian region, especially in Santander and Asturias—the only provinces which have already been systematically explored. The Early Solutrean, characterized by laurel-leaf points, has been found in the caves of Castillo, Hornos de la Peña, Cueto de la Mina, and others. The Late Solutrean has been identified in the caves of Altamira, Morín, Camargo, Riera, Balmori, and Cueto de la Mina. Implements found in this more recent industrial deposit include typical laurel-leaf points with base either slightly convex, straight, or concave, and also willow-leaf points. The typical shouldered point

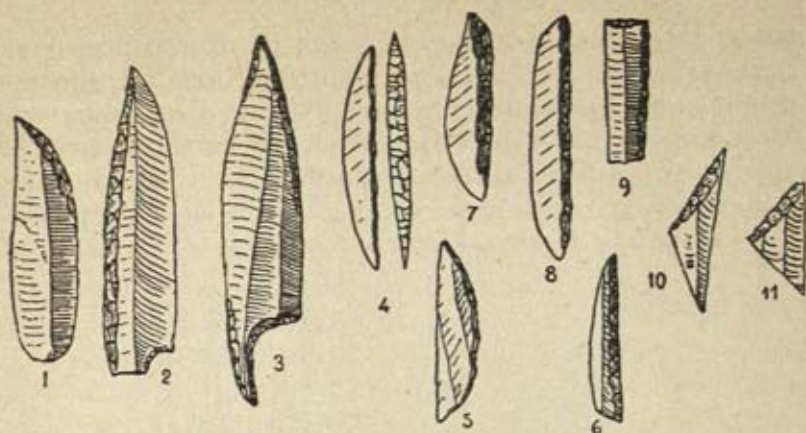


Fig. 89. Gradual development in the Capsian (Palaeolithic) industry of southern Spain of the point with the back edge blunted, according to the investigations of L. Siret. After H. Breuil. Localities: 1, 2 Palomarico, upper level. 3 Cave of Ambrosio, Vélez-Blanco, now in the collection of Federico de Motos. 4 Zájara II. 5 Palomas. 6 Meaza. 7, 8, 9 El Serrón. 10, 11 Cueva Humosa.

*Two-thirds actual size.*



Fig. 90. Map showing the distribution of the Late Capsian and Solutreo-Magdalenian industries in the Iberian Peninsula, dots indicating the extension of the Late Capsian, and dashes the extension of the Solutreo-Magdalenian.



(*pointe à cran*) with a long peduncle or stem is abundant, but this form evolves, through a series of transitions, into a new Cantabrian variant. This is characterized by a very short, rudimentary peduncle, while at the other side of the notch at the base there extends a sharp and still shorter barb (Figure 91, *a*). It is interesting to note that this Canta-

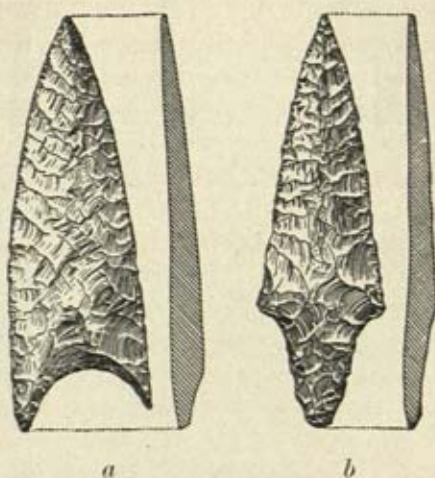


Fig. 91. Solutrean types found in Spain which are peculiar to certain regions. *a* Shouldered point of Cantabrian type. *b* Shouldered point of Catalanian type.

*Actual size.*

brian type extended, in a limited measure, into southern France, where shouldered points with concave, asymmetrical base have been found in the cave of Brassempouy, Landes, and also in the "Grotte des Harpons" in Lespugne, Haute-Garonne.

In Catalonia in eastern Spain a splendid Solutrean deposit has lately been found in one of the caves of San Julián de Ramís (p. 197), an account of which will be published by P. Wernert and P. Bosch. This industry includes, in addition to the ordinary type of shouldered point, a new Catalanian variant which looks as if it might have been evolved from a point of "Font-Robert" type (Figure 42, Nos. 12,

13)—a type which also occurs in Spain in the cave of Morín, Asturias. It has a broad, flat, central stem or peduncle, while to the right and left of where this joins the body of the implement the edges are worked into carefully finished points or barbs (Figure 91, *b*). The age and stratigraphic position of this remarkable type are established beyond doubt, although as yet only a few specimens are known.

These two new variants of the shouldered point (*pointe à cran*), to which we can find only vague resemblances in the industry of southern France, add special interest to the Solutrean industry of Spain, which does not seem to have extended in any marked degree into the center of the Iberian Peninsula. It is true that H. Breuil has reported a few isolated specimens of Solutrean aspect found in Almería at the Cueva Chiquita de los Treinta, and in Murcia at Monte Arabí and the cave of Las Perneras. We do not deny the possibility of occasional infiltrations of Solutrean culture, especially along the Mediterranean coast, but for the present we incline to a cautious scepticism in this respect, since the specimens in question might just as well belong to a Neolithic culture (Figure 90).

The geographic extension of the Magdalenian culture in Spain is practically the same as that of the Solutrean: that is to say, it also was derived from southern France, and extended only into the northern part of the Peninsula. It has been found in the provinces of Guipuzcoa, Vizcaya, Santander, and Asturias. Traces of it have also been found on the southern slope of the Cantabrian Mountains in the cave of La Blanca near Oña, Burgos, and in Catalonia at the cave of Serinyá, Gerona.

The homogeneity of the Magdalenian culture of Spain with that of France is very great, in regard to both the stratigraphic succession and the types of artefacts—including implements of both stone and bone and small objects of primitive art. Naturalistic designs are found in deposits containing harpoons with a single row of barbs at Castillo, and further developed conventionalized designs are found associated with harpoons with a double row of barbs at Cueto de la Mina and Serinyá. Nevertheless, specialized local forms are not lacking. The general use of quartzite is responsible



for a number of special forms of stone implements. Of still more importance is the existence of harpoons of Cantabrian type with a lateral perforation at the base (Figures 68 and 75).

Occasion may here be taken to correct the widely accepted but erroneous opinion that the Magdalenian harpoons (of France) were cylindrical in form because they were fashioned of reindeer horn, which is exceedingly dense and compact in texture, and that the Azilian harpoons were necessarily flat because they were made of stag horn, which is too porous and spongy in texture to be fashioned into the rounded cylindrical form. In Spain both the rounded cylindrical harpoons of the Magdalenian and the flattened harpoons of the Azilian are made exclusively of stag horn—a proof that the change of form had nothing to do with the material used in manufacture.

The investigations accomplished in the Cantabrian region have already made it possible to establish a series of stratigraphic subdivisions of the Magdalenian deposits found here (50), which are as follows:

- f* Layer with no harpoons, and a much impoverished industry in bone. Besides the conical planing tools there are also small round planing tools which might be precursors of the Azilian types.
- e* Layer containing harpoons with a double row of barbs.
- d* Layer containing harpoons with a single row of barbs.
- c* Layer containing large awls, mostly round in cross section.
- b* Layer containing numerous awls with triangular or quadrangular cross section.
- a* Layer with primitive industry, including bone points slightly curved and with a *slight* lateral flattening (Figure 92). A similar type is found in the Solutrean, but with a *pronounced* lateral flattening.

Day by day it becomes clearer that Spain is destined to play a most interesting rôle in all that concerns the study of Palæolithic Man. As regards number and riches, its industrial deposits are in no respect inferior to those of France. Its importance increases as we realize the fact that the Iberian Peninsula was a highway and connecting link be-

tween two continents. Here was the meeting place of the two streams of civilization, from the south and from the north, where they intermixed and underwent a further evolution. These facts give ground for the hope that future research here may achieve results of the highest importance, such as

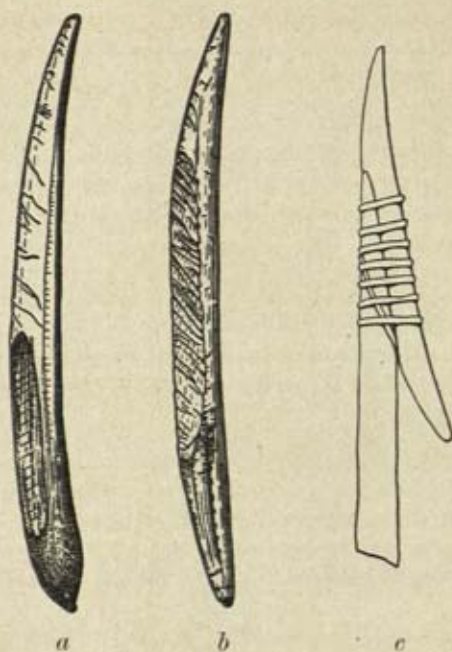


Fig. 92. Curved points of horn with a flattened place on one side. *a* Solutrean type. *b* Magdalenian type. *c* Supposed manner of use.  
*Four-fifths actual size.*

have already been attained in the domain of Palæolithic Art, where Spain—with her incomparable treasures in this field—is well assured of a preëminent place in Europe.

To a description of this art, the following chapter is devoted.



## CHAPTER VII

### PALÆOLITHIC ART

*Introduction—Personal adornment—Late Palæolithic art—Mobiliary art—Age and authenticity—Chronologic classification—Human statuettes and reliefs—Animal sculptures and reliefs—Outline figures and simple engravings—Various wild animals depicted—Fish and birds—Plants—Lack of genuine composition—Conventionalized designs—Domestic (?) horse—Domestic (?) dog—Distribution of mobiliary art in western and central Europe—Autochthonous conventionalized art of eastern Europe—Mural art—Its distribution limited to western Europe—Discovery sites in France—Discovery sites of Spain—Cantabrian region—Western Spain—Southern Spain—Eastern and southeastern Spain—Discovery sites in Italy and England—Regional subdivisions of mural art—Mural art of the Franco-Cantabrian region—Animals depicted—Anthropomorphic figures—Tectiforms and other signs—Hand silhouettes—Antiquity and authenticity—Chronologic classification—Important discovery sites of the Franco-Cantabrian region—Mural art of eastern and southeastern Spain—Various types of human figures—Animals depicted—Important discovery sites of eastern and southeastern Spain—Palæolithic age of the paintings of eastern Spain—Chronologic classification—No mural art in western Spain—Mural art of southern Spain—The cave of Pileta—Psychology of Palæolithic art—Franco-Cantabrian region—Eastern Spain—Conclusions.*

**I**F there is any fact worthy to command the interest of people of culture, it is surely that of the existence of Palæolithic art—an art that, by reason of its antiquity, surpasses in interest the far more recent prehistoric or protohistoric art of both the Orient and the Occident. And this interest is still further enhanced when we consider the high degree of perfection in execution which it often reached, and the fidelity with which it reproduced what was observed in actual life. Moreover, the artistic productions of these remote ancestors of ours reveal an advanced artistic sentiment, in spite of their rudimentary psychology and the poverty of their technical resources and materials.

The first rough sketches indicative of genuine art are found in the late Palæolithic at the beginning of the Aurignacian. None the less, judging from the elegance and sym-

metry of the finest Acheulean hand axes, we can recognize a well-developed sense of proportion even at this early date. Since in Early Palæolithic times man had not yet learned to fashion horn and bone, we cannot hope for the discovery of works of art carved in these materials. But the highly finished execution of the Aurignacian sculptures suggests the idea that during some earlier phase—perhaps outside Europe—wood was worked and sculptures made in some fairly pliant material, possibly modeled in clay. It would, perhaps, not be too venturesome to assume a still earlier phase than the modeling of inorganic material, such as plastic work with the hides or guts of animals.

From the Aurignacian on (page 126) we have evidence of a lavish use of body ornaments, and of the important rôle played by the coiffure. The fact that certain coloring materials (red and yellow ocher) have been found in the most ancient Mousterian deposits, and that various coloring materials have been found in almost all stations of later date, affords reasonable ground for the supposition that these were probably used for the most part in painting the body, and perhaps for tattooing. Judging from the example afforded by primitive peoples now existing, we may assume that this paint was sometimes used purely for adornment, and sometimes as a tribal symbol, as a protective charm to prevent forced migration or kidnaping, or in token of war or mourning.

If we should further seek to investigate other forms of artistic expression, such as song, dance, and music, it will easily be understood that the excavations offer no certain information. Nevertheless, the sketches of dances and masks previously mentioned (pp. 129, 130, and Figure 59) make it probable that some sort of music was produced by very primitive instruments.

The subject here considered, however, is limited to the artistic representations of the Late Palæolithic, with the subdivisions of "mobiliary" and "mural" art—the former including small movable objects bearing ornament or design, and the latter decorations applied to the walls and roofs of caves, rock shelters, and cliffs. This is more or less



a distinction without a difference, as the two groups are intimately related (1).

Under the term "mobiliary art" ("art mobilier" of the French) are included sculptures, reliefs, and designs in outline made on stone, horn, bone, or ivory, as well as decorations applied to industrial or ceremonial articles, such as the ceremonial staffs ("bâtons de commandement"), dart throwers, and weapons.

These articles are found, together with faunal remains and the débris of cooking, in undisturbed Palæolithic deposits. Their age is thus established beyond question, rendering unnecessary all discussion in regard to their authenticity and antiquity. Moreover, a great number of these art products bear the stamp of Palæolithic origin in the fact that they are completely fossilized, and that the representations of animals include those which by the close of the Palæolithic had either migrated elsewhere or become extinct, such as the mammoth, reindeer, ibex, Saiga antelope, and others (Figure 11).

This proves that these animals could have been portrayed only when they were still living in the regions of the discovery sites during the Glacial Epoch. Confirming this is the fact that representations of these animals have been found embedded in hearth ashes and detritus associated with skeletal remains of animals of the same species. It is further to be noted that often those very animals that are now extinct or migrated elsewhere, afforded the material for the manufacture of these works of art, this material including even reindeer horn and mammoth ivory, which can be worked to advantage only when fresh. Moreover, it can be shown that in none of the prehistoric or protohistoric periods was there any art development which would present the slightest relationship to this. This entire mass of evidence, both internal and external, goes to prove beyond question the Palæolithic age of this art.

Edouard Piette was the first to demonstrate that sculpture was first to appear during the Late Palæolithic and remained dominant for a considerable period; that somewhat later began the bas-reliefs and figures of animals in outline; while during the Magdalenian stage, engravings



# PLATE IX

Relief's cut in stone, discovered at the rock shelter of Laussel, Dordogne, France. From original photographs by Dr. G. Lalanne. *Left*: Figure of a woman with the horn of a bison in her right hand. *Right*: Figure of a man, apparently in the act of shooting with bow and arrow.

*Reduced in size.*





were generally the most numerous. This classification, however, must not be understood as absolute. Outline figures are by no means completely lacking in the Late Aurignacian, and both sculptures and reliefs occur in the Magdalenian (2). The universal implement for outlining and engraving was the graving tool (burin) of flint.

The earliest works of mobiliary art in Palæolithic times are human statuettes and reliefs made of stone, which are confined almost exclusively to the Aurignacian (3). The exception consists of the idols of Brunn and Predmost, which belong to the Early Solutrean but nevertheless present strong analogies to the Aurignacian (Figure 50). The plastic representations of animals, however, are found throughout the Late Palæolithic from the Late Aurignacian on. The valuable discoveries made by E. Piette in the Grotte du Pape, Brassempouy, Landes, belong to an early phase of the Aurignacian. Unfortunately they consist only of fragments. Nevertheless, among them is the miniature human head in ivory shown here (Figure 93), which is distinguished by a remarkable headdress, apparently intended to portray either a coiffure or a hood. As to the face, the nose and brows are indicated, and perhaps the eyes and mouth were painted in color. No less remarkable are certain steatopygous feminine figures carved in soapstone, found at Baoussé-Roussé (Grottes de Grimaldi, Mentone), but none of these equals in artistic merit the statuette of Willendorf previously described (Figure 48).

Extraordinary importance attaches to the large reliefs carved in stone, discovered in 1909 by G. Lalanne, in Late Aurignacian deposits at the rock shelter of Laussel, near Marquay, Dordogne. The best represents a nude female form about eighteen inches high, with pronounced steatopygy, which was carved on the side of a huge isolated block of stone. The face is barely indicated, while the body—which was formerly colored red—is portrayed in careful detail. In its right hand the figure holds what looks like the horn of a bison (Plate IX). Two other fragmentary reliefs also portray women, and a third is perhaps intended to show the act of childbirth. As all these reliefs represent women of extreme corpulence, it is quite a contrast to find another



figure, eighteen and a half inches in height, representing a tall, well-proportioned man, in which—in spite of the imperfect preservation of the relief—may be recognized the

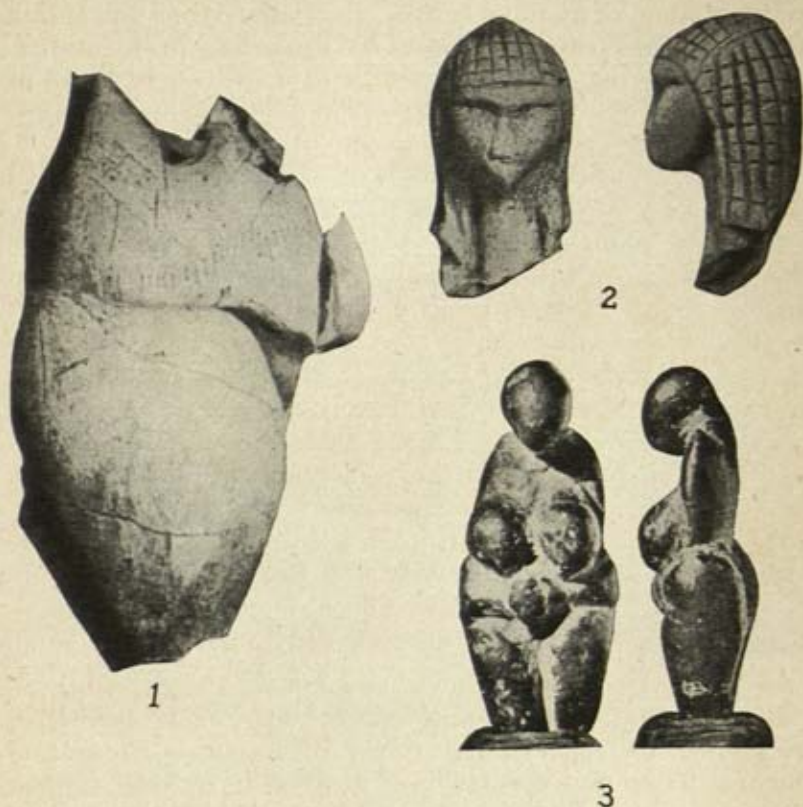


Fig. 93. Human statuettes of Aurignacian age. Torso of a woman (1) and a woman's head (2), both carved in ivory and found at Brassempouy. After E. Piette. Statuette of a woman (3) carved in soapstone, from Mentone. After S. Reinach.

*Actual size.*

pose of an archer. Of secondary importance is another bas-relief representing two persons, which belongs to the Aurignacian deposits of Terme Pialat near Combe-Capelle, Dordogne.

Almost all the human representations of Aurignacian

times are surprisingly realistic in conception, and while certain individual features—such as the physiognomy—are ignored, others are decidedly exaggerated, among them, in most cases, the sexual characters. Considering, besides, the predominance of female figures, we gather the impression that these may represent idols of eroticism or fecundity. Far rarer are the masculine statuettes. Only one is found at each of the following sites—Brassempouy, Mentone, Laus-sel (Plate IX), and Brünn (Figure 50).



Fig. 94. Head of a horse, neighing, carved in reindeer horn, from the cavern of Mas d'Azil. After E. Piette.

*Actual size.*

As to human representations of Solutrean and Magdalenian age, only a few isolated and poorly made statuettes are known, as, for example, those of Laugerie-Basse and Placard. There are also certain designs in outline, almost all very carelessly done, as, for instance, those of Aurensan, Crô-Magnon, Gourdan, Laugerie-Basse, Lorthet, Lourdes, La Madeleine, Mas d'Azil, and Teyjat, some of which should be termed not human but anthropomorphous (page 129, Figures 47, 59, *a*, and 59, *c*).

Representations of animals are of more frequent occurrence. A number of these consist of sculptures and reliefs, sometimes treated purely as works of art, but more often used to adorn some article of daily use, such as dart throwers or hafts of horn or ivory. The artist's choice inclined to pieces of horn with such natural contours and excrescences as could be utilized and adapted to the modeling of the form



he wished to portray. One of the finest of these sculptures is the horse head of Mas d'Azil, a veritable masterpiece, surprising both by its realism and by the marvelous dexterity of its execution (Figure 94). A whole list of such sculptures and reliefs could be named, including representations of the reindeer, stag, mammoth, ibex, wildcat, wild ox (Figure 95), bison (Figure 97), fox (Figure 58), horse (Figures 94 and 96), birds (Figure 51), among them the

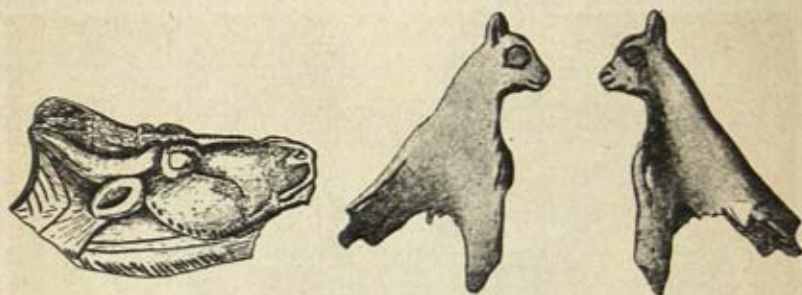


Fig. 95. Carvings of wild animals. After H. Breuil. *Left*: Head of a wild ox (*Bos primigenius*) from the cave of Les Espéugues, Lourdes. *Right*: Small feline figure from the cave of Saint-Michel d'Arudy.

*Three-fourths actual size.*

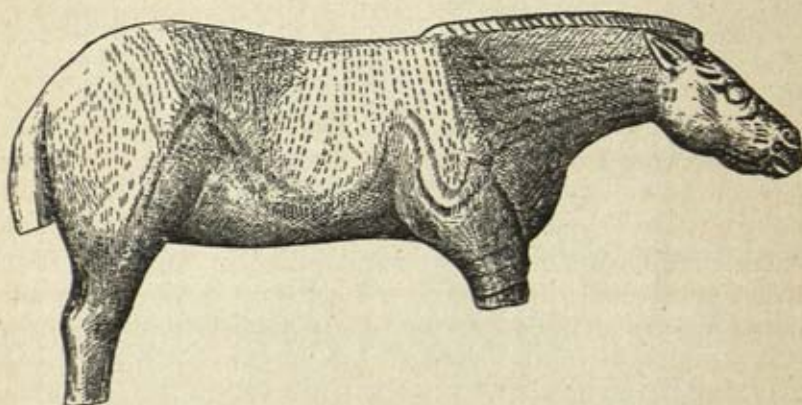


Fig. 96. Figure of a wild horse carved in ivory, from the cave of Les Espéugues, Lourdes. After E. Piette.

*Actual size.*

black cock, fossil shells, and separate portions of the body. Mention may be made of sculptures representing the skulls of horses, which are veritable studies in anatomy.

Of all the plastic representations of animals the most surprising are the two clay statues discovered in October, 1912, by Count Bégouen in the cave of Tuc d'Audoubert, near Montesquieu-Avantès, Ariège—a cave previously unknown. They were found in the remotest recesses of the cave,



Fig. 97. Two bison modeled in clay, from the cave of Tuc d'Audoubert, Ariège. After the Count de Bégouen.

*Reduced in size.*

leaning against a boulder which had fallen from the roof, and were very carefully modeled in clay. They represent a pair of bison—the female twenty-four inches long, with finely modeled head and the hump smaller than in the male, which is following her. The latter is twenty-four and four-fifths inches long (Figure 97). Two other models, uncompleted, were found close by on the floor of the cave, which is also ornamented with mural engravings and paintings (4).

The plastic representations, however, are surpassed in variety by the simple designs in outline engraved on flat stone, ivory, bone, or horn, and lavishly employed to decorate ornaments and articles of daily use.



It may safely be asserted that four-fifths of the Palæolithic engravings portray animals, among which the reindeer holds foremost place, being of prime importance to the ancient hunters because of the variety of uses served by its flesh, hide, antlers, and bones (Figure 11, No. 7). Representations of wild horse (Figures 58 and 66), wild ox, bison (Figure 98), and stag (Figures 67, 69, 70, and 105) are also



Fig. 98. Bison, engraved on a flat stone, from the rock shelter of Laugerie-Basse, Dordogne, now in the collection of M. Bourlon. From a photograph.

*Actual size.*

very abundant. Less frequent are the pictures of ibex (Figures 76 and 99, *a*) and chamois (Figure 11, No. 10). Again, there is a relatively large number of representations of the mammoth, while those of the rhinoceros (Figure 11, No. 2) are rarer. Of occasional occurrence are representations of the roe deer, moose (Figure 11, No. 9), musk ox (Figure 11, No. 3), Saiga antelope (Figure 11, No. 8), wild boar, marmot (Figure 11, No. 4), hare, seal (Figure 11, No. 1), and all carnivores, such as the wolf, fox, hyena, cave bear (Figure

99, *g*), cave lion (Figure 11, No. 6), lynx (Figure 85), wolverine (Figure 11, No. 5), and otter.

Among the few representations of fish are pike and trout (Figure 76, No. 1); among birds the wild swan, wild goose, wild duck, and crane (or stork?). Finally, there are also portrayals of small snakes or eels.

Representations of plants are exceedingly rare, and include bouquet-like forms, branches with leaves, and the so-called "ears" of grain. Carvings in the form of "ears" were found in the cave of Les Espéluques, near Lourdes. It is, however, impossible to tell whether these were really intended to represent ears of grain, or are merely a decorative design which chanced to resemble them. In the former case they could represent only wild grain, for this one isolated case could not be admitted as "proof" that grain was cultivated during Magdalenian times.

The artistic grouping of figures or any kind of genuine composition is entirely lacking in this mobiliary art, which is limited to the portrayal of isolated single figures. A number of these are often found on one and the same piece of bone or stone, crowded together or even one on top of another, but this does not justify the assumption that they stand in any relation to each other. A rare exception to this rule is the case of the reindeer pictures from the Grotte de la Mairie, Dordogne, which unquestionably were purposely portrayed by the artist in single line; and the same is true of a design showing a troop of horses found at Chaffaud, Vienne, and another found at Bruniquel, Lot-et-Garonne. Still, it is not impossible that these may be practice pieces, in which their makers have mechanically—and to a certain extent conventionally—copied and recopied the same design.

Especial importance attaches to a class of engravings which are very abundant in the Late Magdalenian. The designs are rather carelessly made and to a certain extent geometrically conventionalized, but, nevertheless, in many cases are not lacking in artistic merit. They are apparently products that were made wholesale, and for that reason appear "degenerate" (Figures 58, 66, 67, 68, 75, and 76). As H. Breuil has brilliantly shown (5), there was thus developed a process of geometric conventionalization which,



beginning with realistic animal figures, through gradual simplification finally led to purely decorative designs (Figure 99). In this way, doubtless, a number of *curved* ornamental designs are of zoömorphie origin, which is not contradictory to the fact that similar decorative designs—especially *geometric* combinations of *straight* lines—are frequently derived from the development of technical work, as, for instance, the reproduction of weaving.

It may be noted in this connection that various conventionalized horse heads led Edouard Piette to the erroneous belief that reins and bridle were depicted, and consequently to the logical conclusion that the animal was domesticated. As a matter of fact, the lines in question merely present exaggerated or conventionalized details of the body, as, for instance, the hair, or the modeling of certain muscles or folds of skin, as has been shown by E. Cartailhac. Similar conventionalized details have been remarked in other cases—for example, on the legs of representations of the ibex—where they could not possibly be interpreted as showing any kind of harness.

More uncertainty attaches to the question whether the dog had already entered the service of man. The absolute lack of any unmistakable representations of the dog in mobiliary art favors the negative view, as also the fact that up to the present time no skeletal remains of the domestic dog (*Canis familiaris*) have been found in any of the Palæolithic deposits of central or western Europe. Moreover, its presence is usually indicated by numerous gnawed bones of other animals, and these also are lacking. In Spain certain pictures of *Canidæ* at the rock shelter of Alpera, Albacete, might be taken for jackals at least partly domesticated—an hypothesis which could be proved only by the actual discovery of remains of *Canidæ* with indubitable signs of the effects of domestication.

The chief center of dispersion of the mobiliary art was western Europe, especially France. It was preëminently realistic, its subjects limited to animals of the chase with the one exception—so far as known—of the statues and engravings representing human figures. The production of these works of art—of which there are hundreds of speci-

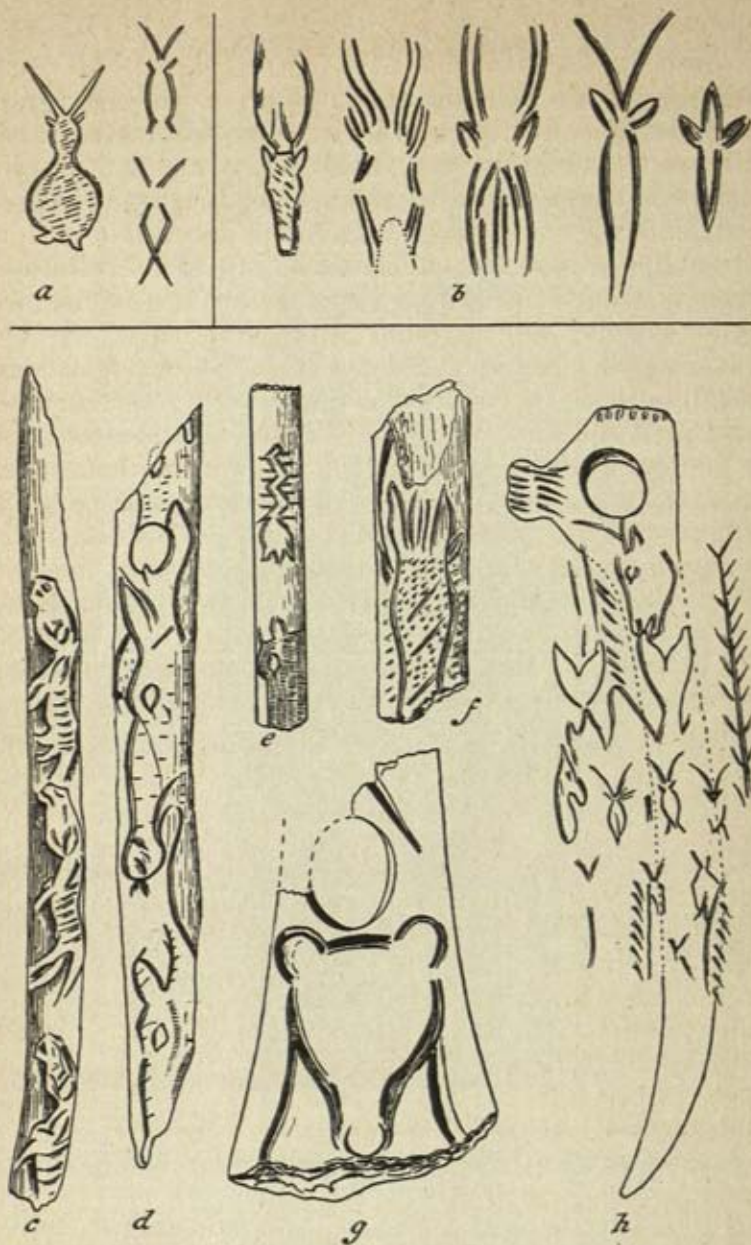


Fig. 99. Conventionalized and geometric designs representing animals. After H. Breuil. *a* Animal sitting (ibex). *b* Heads of stag and ibex. *c* Degenerate designs of horses from the shelter of Souci, Dordogne. *d* Conventionalized heads from the Trou des Forges, Bruniquel. *e* Design of a head, from Lau-gerie-Basse. *f* Design of a head, from Gourdan. *g* Bear's head, from Massat, Ariège. *h* Bâton de commandement ornamented with designs of heads, ibex figures, and harpoons.

*Reduced in size.*



mens—lasted from the Late Aurignacian to the final phase of the Magdalenian. This same realistic art extended also into Spain (Figures 66, 67, 69, 70, 76, and 85), Belgium, and England. It is found in central Europe: we refer here only to the statuettes of remarkable merit from Willendorf in Lower Austria, and from Brünn and Předmost in Moravia (Figures 48 and 50), corresponding to the idols in human form found in France. In Switzerland, in southern Germany at the grottos of Klause near Neu-Essing in northern Bavaria, and in Austria at the cave of Gudenus there have also been found designs in the realistic style representing animals. It may be added that purely ornamental designs in the characteristic style of western Europe are found in the cave of Maszycka in Poland.

Eastern Europe, for its part, produced a style of art in the highest degree original, which up to the present has only been reported in deposits corresponding in age to a prolonged and very peculiar Aurignacian (pp. 116, 117) with its center of dispersal, apparently, in southern Russia. This art is characterized by extremely conventionalized representations of the human figure.

To these belong the statuettes from Mezine (Melene) in the Ukraine, described by T. Volkow (6) and formerly explained as phallic symbols, whereas they are unquestionably extremely conventionalized figurines representing steatopygous women. Nose, arms, and hands are indicated by engraved lines; geometric designs on the hips may perhaps be meant for tattooing; while the genital parts are indicated by a triangle. Only one of these figurines represents a male figure, comparatively slender, and with the sexual characters grossly exaggerated. Among the remains of the mammoth hunters in the loess deposit of the street of Saint Kyrill in Kief is a rare and undecipherable engraving on ivory. This art is represented in the most western limit of its area of dispersal by the engraving on ivory discovered by M. Kříž at Předmost in Moravia (Figure 100). It represents a much conventionalized female figure—the design being reduced to an almost geometric decoration. The head is indicated by an inverted triangle with a decoration that

may perhaps represent a tattooing of the face; the breasts are pendent and indicated by a number of oval lines; the arms are but meager, as in the idol of Willendorf; the navel is clearly defined, the hips and waist exaggerated, and the



Fig. 100. Geometrically conventionalized female figure engraved on ivory, from the loess discovery site of Předmost. After M. Kříž.

*Two-thirds actual size.*

two legs much conventionalized in form. The first exact interpretation of this design was given by the present writer.

The extraordinary abundance and development of design attained during this period suggests the idea that the artists



of Late Palæolithic times might have produced more ambitious works of art, depicted on the walls of the caves and rock shelters. As a matter of fact, the discoveries of the last twenty years have afforded a great number of instances of this mural art—the “art parietal” of the French. This art consisted of sculptures, fine engravings, and—most important of all—representations in colors which included black, made of carbon or manganese ore, light and deep yellow, orange, red, reddish gray, violet, and terra cotta, made of ocher. Of rare occurrence is white, made of calcined marl, while blue and green are altogether unknown.

The engravings were done partly with fine points and partly with stouter graving tools (burins). The deep contours of the large reliefs in stone seem to have been scraped or hewn out by means of massive stone chisels. Colors were applied either by means of a sharpened pencil of ocher or charcoal, or with a paintbrush. The necessary colors were always ground and were probably blended with fat. This explains why they are frequently found to have actually united with the rock in a chemical combination—a sort of “fossilization”—which has contributed most favorably to their preservation.

The sites where this Palæolithic mural art is to be found, so far as our present knowledge goes, are limited exclusively to western Europe. The credit of the discoveries in France will be imperishably associated with the names of Bégouen, Breuil, Capitan, Cartailhac, Lalanne, Peyrony, Regnault, and Rivière. In Spain, where this art is even more abundant and of greater importance, the principal explorations have been made by Alcalde del Río, H. Breuil, J. Cabré, J. Carballo, E. Hernández-Pacheco, F. de Motos, H. Obermaier, M. de Sautuola, P. Serrano, L. Sierra, Count de la Vega del Sella, W. Werner, and P. Wernert. The first systematic and scientific investigation of these discoveries—both in France and Spain—is due to H. Breuil, whose splendid work, most effectively supported by the munificence of Prince Albert of Monaco, has supplied a solid foundation for future investigations.

The following list enumerates those caves and rock

shelters in France where examples of this mural art have been found.†

## DORDOGNE

\**La Mouthe*—discovered in 1894 by E. and G. Berthoumeyrou; studied by E. Rivière (7).

\*\*\**Les Combarelles*—discovered in 1901 by D. Peyrony; studied by H. Breuil, L. Capitan, and D. Peyrony (8) (Figures 14, 15, 59, *d* and *e*).

\*\*\**Font-de-Gaume*—discovered in 1901 by D. Peyrony; fully described by H. Breuil in an exhaustive monograph (9) (Figures 9, 12, 19, *c*, 104, *m* and *n*).

\**Bernifal* } —discovered in 1903 by D. Peyrony, and de-  
*Calévie* } scribed by H. Breuil, L. Capitan, and D.  
 \**Teyjat* } Peyrony (10).

\**La Grèze*—reported in 1904 by M. Ampoulange; studied by H. Breuil and L. Capitan (11).

*La Croze de Gontran*—discovered in 1908 by the Abbé Vidal; verified by H. Breuil.

\*\*\**Cap-Blanc*—discovered in 1909 by G. Lalanne (12) (Figure 106).

*Gorge d'Enfer*—1912.

\**Grotte de Comarque*—discovered in 1915 by H. Breuil and P. Paris (13).

\**Grotte Nancy*—*idem*.

*Grotte de Beyssac*—discovered in 1915 by H. Breuil.

## GIRONDE

*Pair-non-Pair*—discovered in 1883; its scientific value recognized in 1896 by F. Daleau (14).

## HAUTE-GARONNE

\*\**Marsoulas*—discovered in 1897 by F. Regnault and L. Jammes; studied by E. Cartailhac and H. Breuil (15).

## HAUTES-PYRÉNÉES

\*\**Gargas*—discovered in 1906 by F. Regnault; a new gallery discovered in 1910 by H. Breuil; studied by H. Breuil and E. Cartailhac (16).

† The relative importance is indicated as follows: \*\*\* a site of the foremost importance; \*\* a site of considerable importance; \* a site of secondary importance. Unimportant sites are not starred.



## ARIÈGE

\**Mas d'Azil*—discovered in 1902 by H. Breuil; further investigated by E. Cartailhac in 1908, and by Count Bégouen in 1912 (17).

\*\*\**Niaux*—discovered in 1906 by L. Molard; studied by E. Cartailhac and H. Breuil (18) (Figures 104, *d*, *e*, and 120).

*Bédeilhac* and *Pradières*—both discovered in 1907 by E. Cartailhac, H. Breuil, and H. Obermaier.

\*\**Le Portel*—discovered in 1908 by R. Jeannel and L. Jammes; studied by H. Breuil (19).

\*\*\**Tuc d'Audoubert*—discovered by Count Bégouen in 1912 (20).

\*\*\**Caverne des Trois Frères*—discovered in 1914 by Count Bégouen (21) (Figure 103).

## BASSES-PYRÉNÉES

\**Isturitz*—discovered in 1913 by E. Passemard.

## GARD

\**Chabot*—discovered in 1878; reported by L. Chiron in 1889; further investigated by the same, together with L. Capitan, in 1910.

In Spain (22) the mural art of Palæolithic times is widely distributed. In the Cantabrian region—in the northwest—it is found at the following sites.

## VIZCAYA

\*\**Basondo* (*Santimamiñe*)—a cave near Cortézubi in the district of Guernica, discovered in 1917 by Jesus Guridi.

\**Venta de la Perra*—a cave near Molinar de Carranza, discovered in 1904 by L. Sierra.

## SANTANDER

*La Sotarriza*—a cave near Molinar de Carranza, discovered in 1906 by L. Sierra.

\**La Haza*—a cave near Ramales, discovered in 1903 by L. Sierra and H. Alcalde del Río.

\*\**Covalanas*—a cave near Ramales, discovered in 1903 by L. Sierra and H. Alcalde del Río (23).

*Salitre*—a cave near Ajanedo in the district of Miera, discovered in 1903 by L. Sierra.

**\*\*Santián**—a cave near Puente Arce, discovered in 1905 by H. Alcalde del Río (24) (Figure 104, *a, b*, and *c*).

**El Pendo**—a cave near Escobedo, discovered in 1907 by H. Alcalde del Río.

**\*\*\*Castillo**—a cave near Puente Viesgo, discovered in 1903 by H. Alcalde del Río (25) (Plate VIII, Figures 19, *a*, 60, 104, *h, i, l, p*, and 105).

**\*\*\*La Pasiéga**—a cave near Puente Viesgo, discovered in 1911 by H. Obermaier and P. Wernert (26) (Plate XI, Figure 104, *f, g, k, o*, and *q*).

**\*\*Hornos de la Peña**—a cave near San Felices de Buelna, discovered in 1903 by H. Alcalde del Río (27) (Figure 59, *b*).

**\*\*\*Altamira**—a cave near Santillana del Mar, discovered in 1879 by M. de Sautuola, fully described by E. Cartailhac and H. Breuil (28) (Plate I).

**Clotilde de Santa Isabel**—a cave near Santa Isabel, discovered in 1906 by H. Breuil and H. Alcalde del Río.

**Las Aguas de Novales**—a cave near Novales, discovered in 1909 by H. Alcalde del Río.

**La Meaza**—a cave near Comillas, discovered in 1907 by H. Alcalde del Río.

#### ASTURIAS

**\*La Loja**—a cave near Panes, discovered in 1908 by H. Breuil, H. Alcalde del Río, and L. Mengaud.

**\*\*Pindal**—a cave near Pimiango-Colombres, discovered in 1908 by a physician of Colombres and announced by H. Alcalde del Río (29) (Figures 17, *b*, and 101).

**La Franca (Mazaculos)**—a cave discovered in 1908 by H. Alcalde del Río.

**Las Herrerías (Bolado)**—a cave near Llanes, discovered in 1912 by certain Fathers of the Convent of Llanes.

**Quintana**—a cave near Barro, discovered in 1908 by H. Alcalde del Río.

**Cueto de la Mina**—a rock shelter near Posada, discovered in 1914 by Count de la Vega del Sella.

**San Antonio**—a cave in Ribadesella, discovered in 1912 by H. Alcalde del Río.

**\*\*Cueva del Buxu**—a cave near Canges de Onis, discovered in 1916 by C. Cardín and Count de la Vega del Sella (30) (Figure 16).



*Cueva del Conde*—a cave near Tuñón, discovered in 1915 by Count de la Vega del Sella.

\**Las Mestas*—a cave near Las Regueras, discovered in 1916 by H. Obermaier and Count de la Vega del Sella.

\*\**La Peña*—a cave near San Román de Candamo, discovered in September, 1914, by Count de la Vega del Sella,



Fig. 101. A view of the cave of Pindal, Asturias—its position indicated by a white circle.

H. Obermaier, and P. Wernert; described by E. Hernández-Pacheco (31).

#### BURGOS

\**Penches (Barcina)*—a cave near Oña, discovered in 1915 by M. Gutierrez, Ibero and R. Fernández.

\**Atapuerca*—a cave near Burgos, discovered in 1910 by J. Carballo; studied (1912) by H. Breuil and H. Obermaier.

In western Spain, in the province of SALAMANCA, one doubtful site is found.

\**Las Batuecas* (?)—in the Sierra de Gata. The most

ancient paintings found here at the "Canchal de las Cabras Pintadas" (32) may possibly be of Palæolithic age.

In southern Spain only a few sites are known. Among them, however, is one of the foremost importance.

#### MÁLAGA

\*\*\**La Pileta*—a cave near Benaolán, discovered in 1911 by Willoughby Verner (33) (Figure 114).

\*\**Ardales (Cueva de Doña Trinidad)*—a cave near Alora-Ardales, discovered in 1918 by H. Breuil and described by the same (34), with realistic designs of animals, similar to those at Pileta and in the caves of northern Spain.

\**La Cala*—a cave not far from Málaga, discovered by H. Breuil in 1918.

#### CÁDIZ (?)

*Palomas (?)*—near Facinas-Tarifa.

*Pretina (?)*—near Medina Sidonia.

These two caves show scanty traces of uncertain character.

In eastern and southeastern Spain examples of Palæolithic mural art are found at the following sites.

#### LÉRIDA

\*\**Cogul*—a rock shelter near the village of Cogul, discovered in 1907 by R. Huguet (35) (Plate XII).

#### TARRAGONA

\**Tivisa*—two rock recesses in the gorge of La Fuente de Vilella, discovered by José Colominas Roca in 1921, and studied by P. Bosch Gimpera.

\**Vandellós*—two rock recesses in the gorge of Las Porciúles, discovered in 1921 by Luis Brull at the instance of J. Colominas, and studied by P. Bosch Gimpera.

#### TERUEL

\**Els Secans*—a rock shelter near Mazaleón, discovered in 1918 by L. Pérez Temprado (36).

\*\**Charco del Agua Amarga*—a rock shelter near Alcañiz, discovered in 1913 by C. Esteban Membrado (37) (Figures 53, a, and 112).

\**Calapatá*—two rock shelters near Cretas, discovered in 1903 and 1908 by J. Cabré and H. Breuil (35). The most



important—the “Roca dels Moros”—has since been destroyed (Figure 113).

\**Albarracín*—three rock shelters discovered in 1909 and 1911 by J. Cabré and H. Breuil (38) (Figures 17, *a*, and 119).

#### CASTELLÓN

\*\**Morella la Vella*—three rock shelters near Morella, discovered in 1917 by J. Senent (Figures 114, 115).

\*\*\**Barranco de Valltorta*—between Albocácer and Tirig, discovered in 1917 by A. Roda (39), where there are thirteen rock shelters, four of which—the Cueva del Civil, the Cueva del Mas d'en Josep, the Cueva de los Caballos, and the Cueva Saltadora—are of commanding importance (Plate X). See also:

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| Cueva del Civil          | Plate XIII, Figure 117.  |
| Cueva de los Caballos    | Plates X and XIV, Figures 53, <i>c</i> , 108, 109.             |
| Cueva Saltadora          | Figures 54, <i>a</i> , <i>c</i> , 55, <i>a</i> , 56, 111, 118. |
| Cueva Rull               | Figure 53, <i>e</i> .  |
| Cueva del Mas d'en Josep | Plate XV, Figure 54, <i>b</i> , <i>d</i> .                     |

#### CUENCA

\**Villar del Humo*—two rock shelters near Cañete, discovered in 1917 by E. O'Kelly and J. Jiménez de Aguilar; studied in 1917 by P. Wernert, whose results are not yet published.

#### VALENCIA

\*\**Cuevas de la Araña*—three rock shelters near Bicorp, discovered in 1919 by J. Poch y Garí (40) (Figure 116).

*Tortosillas*—a rock shelter near Ayora, discovered in 1911 by P. Serrano.

#### ALBACETE

\*\*\**Alpera*—two rock shelters near Alpera. The most important site here is the rock shelter known as the Cueva de la Vieja, or Cueva del Venado, discovered in 1910 by P. Serrano (41). Close to it is the Cueva del Queso. Of only minor interest are the rock shelter near the Cueva Negra at Mount Mugrón, and the niche of Higuernuela, north of Alpera (Figures 53, *b*, *d*, 55, *b*, *c*, 102, 107, and 110).

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PLATE X

The "Cueva de los Caballos" (—>) or "Horses' Cave" in the Barranco de Valltorta near Alboacéer, Castellón. From an original photograph by the author.





\*\*\**Minateda*—three rock shelters near Hellín, discovered by a prospector in 1914. The principal site is at the mouth of the Barranco de la Mortaja: the two less important shelters lie in the little valley known as Rinconada del Canalizo del Rayo. The investigation of this important art station of eastern Spain is in the hands of H. Breuil (42).



Fig. 102. A distant view of the rock shelters of Alpera, Albacete—their position indicated by a white circle.

#### MURCIA

\*\**Cantos de la Visera*—two rock shelters by Mount Arabí near Yecla, discovered in 1912 by J. Zuazo (43).

#### JAEN

*Tabla de Pochico*—near Aldeaquemada, discovered in 1914.

*Prado del Azogue*—near Aldeaquemada, discovered in 1914.

*Cueva del Santo*—a cave near Santa Elena, discovered in 1916.



## ALMERÍA

*Las Grajas (Coto de la Zarza)*—a cave near Topares, discovered in 1913.

\**Lavaderos de Tello (Desfiladero de Leira)*—near Vélez Blanco (44).

\**Cueva Chiquita de los Treinta*—near Chirivel, discovered by F. de Motos and H. Breuil.

\**Estrecho de Santonge*—near Vélez Blanco, discovered by F. de Motos.

In 1904 E. Regalià and P. E. Stasi reported the existence of mural engravings in Italy at the cave of Romanelli, near Castro, Terra d'Otranto. Further investigations were made in 1914 by Baron G. Blanc with such gratifying results that he was able to demonstrate the existence of far more numerous and important designs, among which are a number of birds. His report is not yet published.

According to discoveries made in England in 1912 by H. Breuil and J. Sollas, mural paintings of Palæolithic aspect are found there at Bacon's Hole, near Swansea, South Wales (45). They consist of lines of red color, and are of little importance.

Setting aside these isolated instances in England and Italy, we find that the art of the caves in France and Spain falls naturally into two great subdivisions—the one characteristic of the Franco-Cantabrian region, the other of eastern Spain.

The Franco-Cantabrian region includes the painted caves of southern France and northwestern Spain (Cantabrian region), presenting a type of art that is unmistakably homogeneous and characterized by realistic portrayals of animals. These are generally on a large scale, and entirely independent of each other, so that one seeks in vain for any indication of artistic composition or interrelation of the separate figures. On account of their truth to nature, repose, and perfection of form, many of these works of art are really masterpieces; but along with these are many pictures that are inexact or positively bad.

The animals pictured in this region include mammoth and elephants without tusks or hair (Figure 19, *a, b, c*), woolly rhinoceros (Figure 12), cave lion (Figure 15), cave bear

(Figure 14), numerous wild horses (Figures 16 and 106) of various racial types, wild ass, wild oxen and bison (Plate I, Figures 17, *b*, 60, and 120), stag and hind (Plate XI, Figure 105), Dama deer, reindeer (Figure 9), ibex, chamois, wild boar, wolf, and various birds (including owls), fish, and snakes (eels?).

Genuine human portrayals are entirely lacking, for the



Fig. 103. An anthropomorphic design—partly engraved, partly painted in black—from the cavern of the Trois Frères, Ariège. After the Count de Bégouen and H. Breuil.

*One-twelfth actual size.*

“anthropomorphic” figures found in this region are half human, half animal figures, and—in all probability—purely fantastic creations (Figures 59, *b*, *d*, *e*, 103). On the other hand, there exist a number of “signs” of doubtful interpretation, which certainly cannot be attributed to æsthetic motives (Figure 104). Some may be meant for weapons (clubs, boomerangs, etc.), and others resemble huts, on which account they have been named “tectiform,” while there are also “pectiform,” “skaliform,” and other similar types.

The “hand silhouettes” previously described (pp. 130-



132, and Figure 60) do not concern our present subject of discussion, since in no sense can they be considered as "art," in the strict sense of the word.

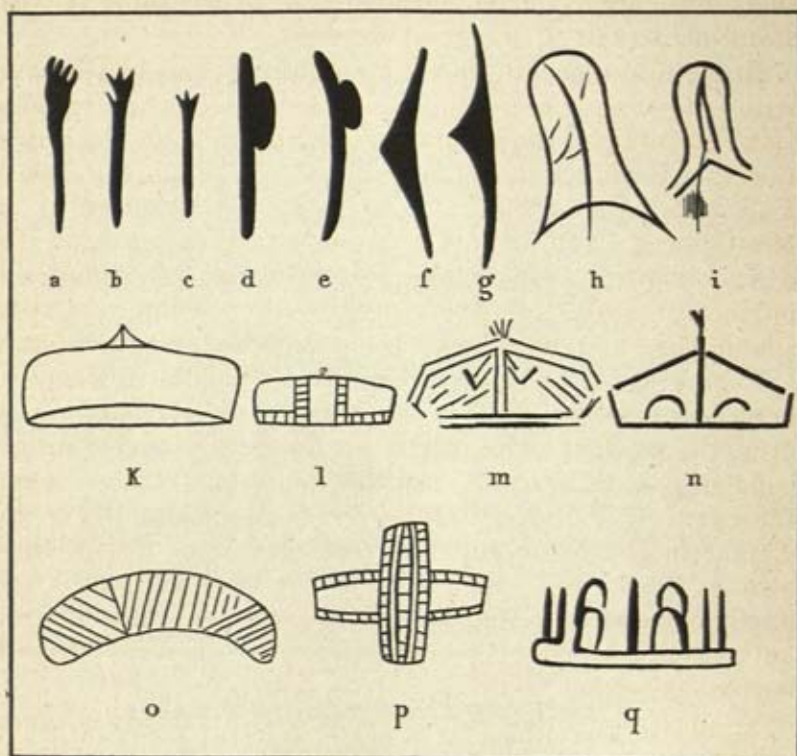


Fig. 104. Mural designs of uncertain interpretation, from the caves of southern France and Spain. After H. Breuil. *a-g* Weapons(?), possibly clubs, axes, and boomerangs. *h, i* Scutiform (shield-like) designs. *k-n* Tectiform (hut-like) designs. *o, p, q* Possibly tectiforms, emblems, or totem figures. Localities—*a, b, c* Santián; *d, e* Niaux; *f, g, k, o, q* La Pasiega; *h, i, l, p* Castillo; *m, n* Font-de-Gaume.

*Reduced in size.*

Although the age and authenticity of the art of the caves are universally acknowledged by archaeologists, it may nevertheless not be superfluous to devote a few words to this question (46).

Since many mural paintings are found on exposed flat surfaces of rock within caves that have always been accessible, it is natural that at the beginning of these discoveries grave doubts were expressed in regard to their antiquity and even their authenticity. This, however, has proved able to withstand the test of the severest scrutiny.

In the first place, there are a number of the painted caves with entrances which—until their recent scientific exploration—have been completely broken down and blocked so that they could not have been entered at all since the close of Palæolithic times. Such is the case, for instance, at La Mouthe and Bernifal in Dordogne, at Marsoulas and Tuc d'Audoubert in the northern Pyrenees, and at Altamira in northern Spain. Here, therefore, it is impossible that there should have been any later intervention by the hand of man.

Furthermore, there are other caves which have been well known and accessible from time immemorial, where, however, the painted or engraved portions were buried or embedded in undisturbed Palæolithic deposits. To these belong the caves of Pair-non-Pair in the Gironde, La Grèze and Teyjat in Dordogne, and the rock shelter of Cap-Blanc—also in Dordogne—which even at the present time is still partly covered by a Magdalenian deposit. The antiquity and authenticity of the art at these sites are therefore equally beyond question.

Again, among the animals pictured in the caves, many species are found which either migrated elsewhere at the close of the Palæolithic (reindeer, bison, chamois, and ibex), or else became entirely extinct (mammoth and other species of elephant, woolly rhinoceros, cave lion, and cave bear). When pictures of these are found in the caves, they can have been made only when such animals were still living in that district, or at least in a neighboring region. Such could have been the case only during Palæolithic times, when man did actually see and hunt these animals, as is shown by the occurrence of their skeletal remains in numerous archæologic deposits of the Glacial Epoch. The same kind of evidence also bears witness (provided the actual association is proved) to the great age of pictures of species common to



Palæolithic and present times, such as stag, deer, horse, and cattle.

Further confirmation is afforded by the fact that the mural art of the caves is absolutely homogeneous with the mobiliary art, and that the latter belongs to the Glacial Epoch is proved by its stratigraphic position. In both groups we find a practically identical list of animals pictured (pp.

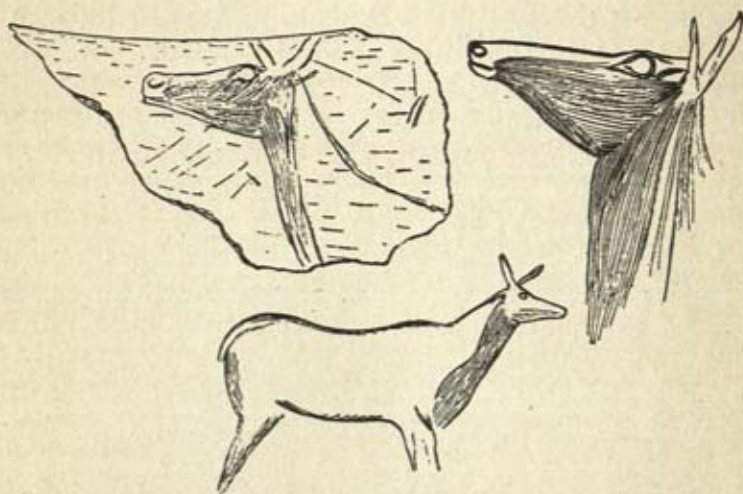


Fig. 105. Design of a doe (upper left) engraved on a shoulder blade, found in the Magdalenian deposit at Altamira; and two similar designs (upper right and below) on the walls of the cave of Castillo. After H. Breuil.

*Reduced in size.*

215-219, 235), and a uniform conception and style. They are beyond doubt twin sisters that lived side by side. It is, therefore, in no way surprising that in the Early Magdalenian deposits of Castillo and Altamira there should be found heads of hinds, engraved on shoulder blades, identical in style and form with those found on the walls of both caves. They were, no doubt, the preliminary sketches and suggestions for the larger engravings on the walls (Figure 105). Again, at the rock shelter of Blanchard near Sergeac, Dordogne, L. Didon discovered, in the midst of the Aurignacian deposits there, some fairly large flat stones with paintings

of animals—a no less striking proof that the mobiliary and mural arts developed reciprocally.

The earliest known specimens of cave art belong to the Aurignacian. For the Solutrean there is, as yet, no convincing evidence. On the other hand, there is an abundance of such evidence for the various phases of the Magdalenian.

H. Breuil has undertaken to establish a chronological evolutionary development by comparing the pictures with each other in regard to technique and style, and also with engravings of the mobiliary art, which have their stratigraphic age definitely determined. Of great help in this undertaking were the numerous superpositions of pictures found in the caves; for it frequently happens that—as in a palimpsest—the same space of wall is repeatedly used, receiving one work on top of another. This order of succession, naturally, must not be taken too rigidly. Praiseworthy artistic work is found even in the earliest phases. Nevertheless, there can be no question that this art was subject to the law of evolution, both in regard to technique and mastery of color, and in reference to refinement and perfection of form and figure.

In accordance with the investigations of Breuil and the author's own personal researches, the following phases may be distinguished (47):

#### I. EARLY AURIGNACIAN

*Earliest manifestations*—Spiral tracings with the finger on clay. Hands silhouetted in red or black (pp. 130-132, Figure 60). Coarse rows of colored dots or discs.

*Engraving*—Primitive pictures of animals, also traced on clay. Similar pictures of later date, deeply engraved with flint on rock. In every case the designs are merely stiff outlines, for the most part in simple profile, showing only one fore and one hind leg. Such details as hoofs and hair are ignored.

*Painting*—Simple linear outlines in red or black, uniform in style and technique with the engravings described above.

#### II. LATE AURIGNACIAN

*Engraving*—Designs in outline, more realistic although still very simple. Especial care taken to indicate the hoofs. The horns are mostly shown in perspective.



*Painting*—Monochrome and linear, consisting of continuous lines, of interrupted grouped lines, or of continuous rows of dots. Somewhat later the lines become thicker and are also blurred and softened. Finally there appear the first attempts at simple modeling by means of shaded color.

In regard to SOLUTREAN mural art, nothing certain is known.

### III. EARLY MAGDALENIAN

*Engraving*—Climax of pure engraving, masterly in the handling both of proportions and details. In many cases the whole surface of the figures inside the outline is finely lined. Under this heading falls also the sculptured frieze at Cap-Blanc, Dordogne.

*Painting*—Pictures mostly in black, with the modeling of the surface indicated by spots of fainter color which serve to indicate very well the relief and details of the body. Later follows the use of partial shading by means of uniform masses of color. Frequently engraving and painting are combined in one and the same figure, which is commonly the case in the following phases.

### IV. MIDDLE MAGDALENIAN

*Engraving*—Very lightly incised and often excellent engravings ("graffites"), frequently on a small scale and scarcely visible.

*Painting*—Full-length pictures in a uniform monochrome which excludes any possibility of modeling or shading, indicating a backward step from the attainment of the previous phase. Later occur the first experiments in polychrome painting—the so-called semi-polychromes.

### V. LATE MAGDALENIAN

*Engraving*—Decline in technique, the pictures often incorrect in outline and exaggerated in detail.

*Painting*—Polychrome (Altamira, Castillo).

### VI. TRANSITION TO THE EPIPALÆOLITHIC

*Engraving*—Appears to be entirely lacking.

*Painting*—No animal pictures, but—at Marsoulas—patterns in line and other designs suggestive of the geometrically conventionalized art of the Azilian stage (Chapter X).

"Tectiforms" and similar symbols are found associated with the art of the caves from the second to the fifth phases.

The author does not believe that the chronologic succession of the various phases can be determined by "palæontologic" means—that is to say, by the predominance of

species of animals pictured during certain phases. His view is chiefly based on the evidence afforded by the Spanish sites—where, for instance, at Altamira ibexes are most frequent in the oldest pictures and stags are shown only very occasionally in the latest, while the skeletal remains of both species are most abundant in archæologic deposits belonging to the very close of the Palæolithic. In making their pictures, the artists of these caves certainly exercised a choice of subjects which may be explained through the motive of a magic propitious to the hunt. It would thus be a more probable conclusion to infer that the species pictured comprised exactly those whose scarcity at the time—at least in certain localities—was a matter for concern.

Among the most important sites of France is the cave of Font-de-Gaume, near Les Eyzies, Dordogne. It contains many fine paintings of the highest order, most of which, unfortunately, are badly damaged or faded. Pictures of bison, reindeer, ibex, wild horse, and mammoth are abundant, and there are also occasional pictures of rhinoceros, bear, wolf, and cave lion (Figures 9, 12, 19, and 104). In contrast to this, the neighboring cave of Combarelles is devoted almost exclusively to engravings. These comprise chiefly representations of mammoth, wild horse, reindeer, bison, and ibex; but there are also a few showing the cave lion, wolf, and bear (Figure 14, 15, 59). Besides these there are a number of anthropomorphic figures which are strikingly grotesque (48). Equally important with these sites are the two caves of Tuc d'Audoubert (Figure 97) and the Caverne des Trois Frères, both near Saint-Girons, Ariège, and not far from Montesquieu-Avantès. The Caverne des Trois Frères—in addition to hand silhouettes, finger tracings, and primitive engravings of the Aurignacian time—contains extensive ensembles of Magdalenian engraving, which depict chiefly bison and wild horse, but which also include cave lion, rhinoceros, mammoth, cave bear, and reindeer. Among the anthropomorphic designs is one resembling a human figure with a rather long tail and stag's antlers on its head (Figure 103).

The mural art at the rock shelter of Cap-Blanc, not far from Les Eyzies, bears witness to the existence of truly



monumental sculpture. On a face of rock that has been excavated for a length of about fifty feet, there are a number of high reliefs hewn in the limestone, which include a reindeer, several bison, and some splendid wild horses, life size (Figure 106).

In no wise inferior in importance to the art stations of southern France are those of northern Spain. Here, near Santillana del Mar, Santander, is the cave of Altamira, which has been not inaptly termed the "Sistine Chapel of Palæolithic Art." The great "hall" near the entrance contains—besides a number of older pictures—a whole series of polychrome paintings of bison, horses, hinds, and wild boars, most of which are in an excellent state of preservation and bear witness to a truly remarkable art development. A number of the bison pictures have been painted, with striking effect, on the natural curves and bosses of the low stone roof of the cave—a daring device which gives a lifelike relief to the figures (Plate I).

A visitor to the cave of Pasiëga, near Puente Viesgo, Santander, is impressed—more than in most other caves—by the conviction that Palæolithic mural art was certainly not designed to serve purposes of decoration or mere amusement. This cave consists of a labyrinth of low and generally narrow clefts, and contains over two hundred and fifty paintings and engravings, which include stag and hind, wild horse, wild cattle, bison, ibex, and chamois, with tectiforms and similar designs. These belong, almost entirely, to Aurignacian and Early Magdalenian time, and therefore, for the most part, are simple outline pictures. They are placed by preference in the remotest clefts and crannies of a cave that, itself, is most difficult of access. One of the few larger chambers has a sort of "throne"—quite unmistakable—hewn out of the rock, and on it was found a worked stone implement. All this serves to deepen the impression that the rites of some secret, mysterious cult must have been celebrated here (Plate XI, Figure 104).

The region of eastern and southeastern Spain presents an equally realistic style of art, its peculiar characteristic being the occurrence of human representations (Figures 53-55, 107-112, 114-118, and Plates XII-XV). These show a



PLATE XI

Hinds—a monochrome painting in red, in the cave of La Pasiega near Puente Viesgo, Santander. After H. Breuil and H. Obermaier.  
*Reduced in size.*





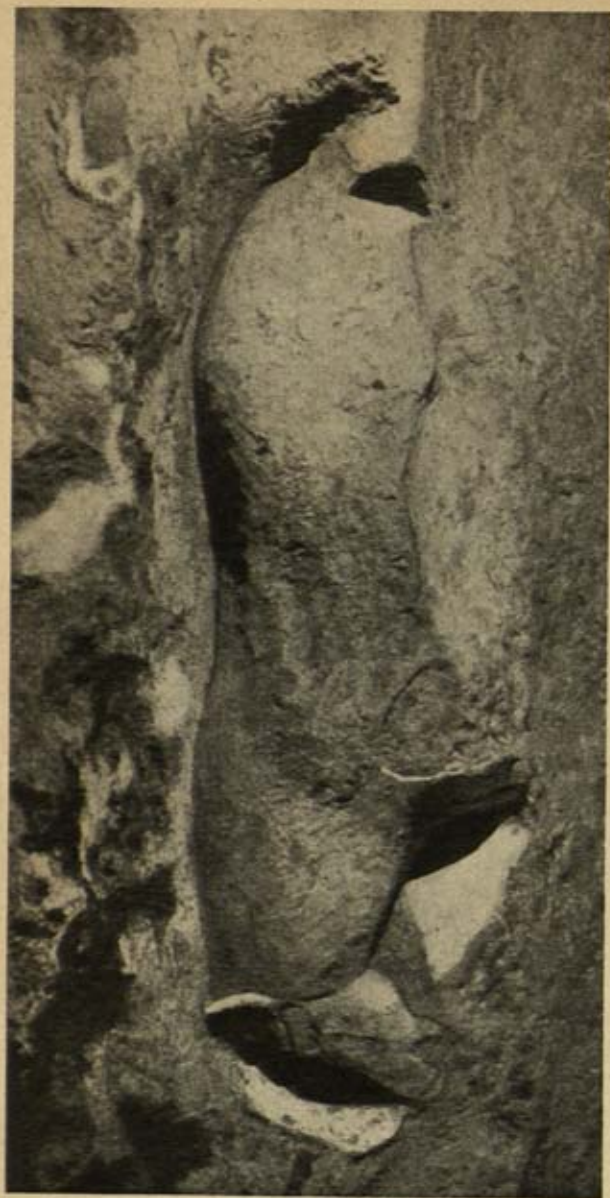


Fig. 106. Relief of a horse, seven feet long, sculptured on the rock shelter of Cap-Blanc, Dordogne. After a photograph by Dr. G. Lalanne.

*Reduced in size.*



marked degree of lifelike action, and are not infrequently combined with each other or with animal pictures into genuine groups or compositions. Since large and deep caves occur but rarely in this region, the pictures—which are invariably painted and only occasionally engraved—were placed on the rear wall of shallow recesses in the rock (“abris” or “rock



Fig. 107. The “dancing chieftain,” a rock painting in dark red in the principal shelter at Alpera, Albacete. This figure is of the “Alpera” type.

*One-fourth actual size.*

shelters”), where the overhanging roof has in most cases protected them from weathering.

The human figures are generally small—averaging about two and a half to six inches in height—and may be divided into a number of more or less local and conventional types, with many intermediate variants. The “Alpera” type generally preserves the bodily proportions fairly well (Figures 53, *b*, *d*, 55, *b*, *c*, 107, 116). Besides this, there are other human representations, indicated by little more than lines and much conventionalized, but, nevertheless, full of life and

action. This type we have styled the "nematomorphic" type (Figures 108, 115, 117). Approaching this is the "cestosomatic" type, in which the head is more or less ovaloid and rests on a broad, almost triangular breast extended into a long and very slender torso. The legs are long and stout,



Fig. 108. Human figures of the "nematomorphic" type, from the shelter of Los Caballos, Castellón, painted in dark red.

*Reduced in size.*





Fig. 109. Human figures of the "pachypodal" (?) type, from the shelter of Los Caballos, Castellón, painted in dark red.  
*Reduced in size.*

with calves prominent and carefully defined (Plate XIII). Finally, we may note the "pachypodal" type with comparatively short figure, large and generally angular head, short slender torso, and legs stout but not excessively long (Figures 109, 118).

The majority of the figures are naked and portray male figures with the body form, arms, and ornaments clearly indicated. It is only occasionally that figures are found showing very short "breeches" reaching barely to the knee (Els Secans). Female figures are of very rare occurrence, and are almost invariably clad in skirts (Plate XII, Figure 110). It is evident that the Palæolithic artists sought to



Fig. 110. Female figures from the principal shelter at Alpera, Albacete, painted in dark red.

*One-third actual size.*



portray typical human figures, but, nevertheless, they made no effort to portray the individual details, especially the features of head and face. One of the rare exceptions to this rule is reproduced in Figure 111. It is therefore impossible to base on these paintings any definite idea of the appearance and physical peculiarities of these Capsian peoples,



Fig. 111. Human figure from the shelter of Saltadora, Castellón, painted in dark red.

*Actual size.*

and it would be still more ill-judged to draw conclusions therefrom in regard to their skull form and other racial characteristics.

The animal pictures of this region are, for the most part, equally small, and comprise the following species. Representations of the stag (Plates XII, XIV, XV; Figure 113), ibex (Plate XII), and wild ox (Plate XII, Figure 17, *a*) are very abundant; less frequent are those of the wild horse, wild boar (Figure 112), and various *Canidæ* (jackals?); while those of the Dama deer and moose (both at Alpera and Minateda), of the rhinoceros (at Minateda), of the chamois (at Tortosillas), and of the wild ass (at Albarracín—Figure 119) are exceedingly rare. In addition there are pictures of geese and cranes (or storks?) as well as one of a fish—all at Minateda. The occurrence of the bison (at Cogul), and of bear, lion, reindeer, and Saiga antelope (at Minateda) seems rather doubtful.

Of especial interest is the painted rock shelter of Cogul, Lérida, where—besides several realistic animal figures and a number of geometrically conventionalized Epipalæolithic paintings—there is a group representing nine women. The



# PLATE XII

Ensemble painting on the walls of the rock-shelter of Cogul, Lérida. After J. Cabré.  
*About one-twelfth actual size.*





triangular head form is apparently designed to indicate a headdress of that shape; the upper part of the body is nude, with long, slender, pendent breasts; and the very slim waist supports a voluminous bell-shaped skirt that reaches to the knee. The nine "ladies" seem to be dancing around a small naked man, and the scene may possibly portray some kind of orgy (Plate XII).

Still more astonishing is the medley of figures at Alpera, Albacete, where—close to the estate known as El Bosque—there are two rock shelters which contain a notable number of pictures, both single figures and groups, which fall naturally into layers of differing ages (Figure 102). The animal pictures represent ibex, stag, wild ox, and *Canidæ* as well as various Dama deer, two moose, and one wild horse. Moving among these are over seventy human figures, from about four and a half to six inches high, which are almost all male and invariably nude. Thirteen of these are in widely different poses which are all characteristic of the moment when an arrow is let fly at beasts or other men (Figure 55). Three other figures are larger, and may perhaps represent political or religious leaders who, with feather headdress and weapons in hand, seem to be performing a ceremonial dance (Figure 107). In contradistinction to the many male figures, there are only three pictures of women. One of these is nude and very corpulent. The other two are similar in form and dress to the "Ladies of Cogul." Figure 110 is a reproduction of the author's own copy of the pictures, made in 1917, but it must be noted that it is very doubtful whether one of the women has an idol (?) in her hand. This article (?) is more probably a daub of older paint that has no connection with the adjoining human figures.

In the cave of Charco del Agua Amarga, near Alcañiz, Teruel, there are a number of battle scenes and a few female figures which, although poorly preserved, are none the less noteworthy. There is a particularly animated representation of a wild boar hunt, which is reproduced here from the author's own copy of the original picture (Figure 112).

Other sites deserving of notice are the Barranco dels Gascons in Calapatá, Teruel, with its splendid pictures of stags (Figure 113); and the rock gallery of Morella la



Vella, Castellón, containing the representation of a hunter following a long row of animal tracks, which are recognizable as the imprint of the hoofs of an artiodactyl (Figure 114). At the same site the spectator notes with interest a



Fig. 112. Boar hunt from the shelter of the Val del Charco del Agua Amarga, Teruel, painted in dark red.  
*One-fourth actual size.*



Fig. 113. Stags painted in dark red, at the principal shelter of Calapatá, Teruel. After J. Cabré.  
*One-sixth actual size.*

remarkable battle scene in which seven individuals seem to be taking part (Figure 115). It is a striking example of the "sketchy" method of representation characterizing the art of eastern Spain, which freely ignores innumerable details and anatomical exactness, in order to emphasize sharply and exclusively a certain action or scenic effect.

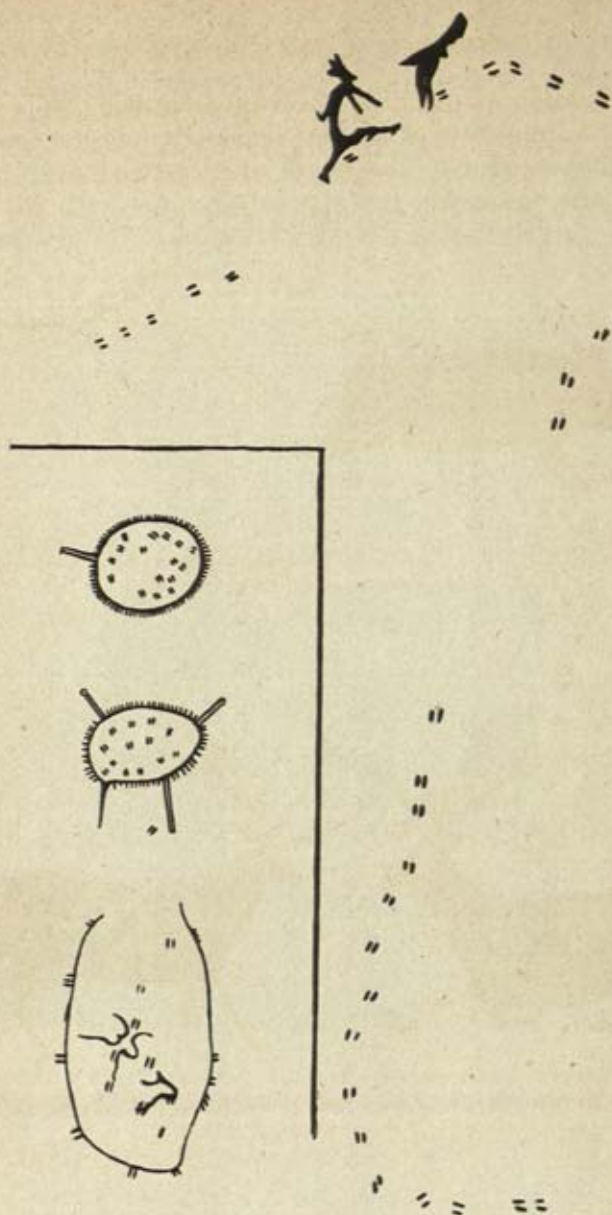


Fig. 114. Representations of animal tracks. Three "traps" (lower left) pictured in the cave of Pileta, Málaga, with animal tracks inside the enclosure. After H. Breuil, H. Obermaier, and W. Verner.

*Reduced in size.*

A line of animal tracks which a hunter is following. The figure immediately in front of him has been partly destroyed and is therefore indistinguishable. From Morella la Vella, Castellón, painted in dark red. After E. Hernández-Pacheco.

*One-fourth actual size.*



Without exaggeration one may say of this ancient art that, in this respect, it comes very close to our modern impressionism and caricature.

In contrast to the above, an idyllic scene of peace is pic-



Fig. 115. A battle of archers. Rock painting in red from Morella la Vella, Castellón. Copied by F. Benítez after E. Hernández-Pacheco.

*About one-fourth actual size.*

tured in the Cuevas de la Araña, northwest of Bicorp, Valencia. Two men are climbing up long ropes, probably woven of sedge grass, to a small natural hole in a cliff, which the artist evidently intended for the dwelling of a swarm of wild bees. In fact, we see one of the persons occupied in taking the honeycomb out of the hole and putting it into a bag or basket to bring down (Figure 116). Some of the disturbed bees

are buzzing around the intruder, and are represented on a much larger scale than that of the human figure.

Finally, there are the numerous painted rock shelters of the Barranco de Valltorta, a wild, romantic gorge lying



Fig. 116. Rock-painting in red at the Cuevas de la Araña, Bicorp, representing a gatherer of wild honey. After an original copy made by W. K. (1921).

*Actual size.*

between Albocácer and Tirig, Castellón, which are of prime importance. In the Abrigo del Civil there are various human figures that attract special notice, being little more than linear indications ("nematomorphic" type—Figure 117). Two of these are waving bundles of bows and arrows above their heads; the legs are wide apart; and the beholder is strongly impressed with the idea that this picture portrays



a weapon or war dance. Another interesting ensemble picture is reproduced in Plate XIII. It consists of numerous figures of warriors or hunters, belonging chiefly to the "cestosomatic" type. The figures, which apparently are quite unrelated and do not form a group composition, present a really remarkable variety of pose and action. Somewhat farther south, in the same Barranco de Valltorta, is



Fig. 117. "War dance" of archers of "nematomorphic" type, painted in black in the principal shelter of the Cuevas del Civil, Castellón.

*Three-fifths actual size.*

the small cave known as Cueva dels Tolls, with representations of animal tracks; and also the important Cueva de los Caballos (Plate X). This last contains a notable number of interesting paintings, among them numerous hunters of the "nematomorphic" type (Figure 108) and others of the "pachypodal" type (Figure 109). Very lifelike is the representation of a stag hunt (Plate XIV), the right-hand part of which, however, is obscured by a stalagmitic deposit. To the left, four hunters in various poses are seen showering arrows upon a herd of stags and hinds with two young ones. The fact that the animals are running toward their pursuers leads to the conclusion that behind the herd—at least supposedly—there must be a number of armed beaters, a conclusion confirmed by the fact that there are several arrows sticking in the hind parts of the animals.

An equally interesting hunting scene is that painted in the neighboring cave of Mas d'en Josep (Plate XV). The



PLATE XIII

Group of masculine figures, most of them armed, in the great rock shelter of the "Cuevas del Civil" near Albocácer, Castellón. From an original painting of the same.

*Reduced in size.*





two stags pictured here are in full flight. The foremost has not suffered any later defacement, but from the beginning was left incomplete—the whole hind part of the body being omitted. The second, on the contrary, is completely finished, and appears to be wounded underneath by two arrows. Running at top speed after the two animals is their pursuer—a hunter armed with his bow, and wearing a striking head-dress and adornments on back and knees.



Fig. 118. "Wounded warrior" painted in light red at the shelter of La Saltadora, Castellón.

*One-half actual size.*

Finally, there is the exceedingly important cave of Saltadora, opposite the opening of the Barranco de Matamoros into the Barranco de Valltorta. In its various rock niches are numerous paintings which are of especial value in throwing light upon the body adornment, weapons, and various implements of Palæolithic peoples (Figures 54-56). Another and very surprising picture from this site is reproduced here (Figure 118). It shows a man with arrows in his neck, hips, and both legs, falling, wounded unto death. At the same



moment a remarkable "diadem" is falling from his head, which doubtless indicates a person of high rank.

The paintings of eastern Spain are unquestionably of Palæolithic age. Both their technique and style bear witness to their close relationship to those paintings of the Franco-Cantabrian region which are certainly Palæolithic. The animal pictures common to both regions betray the same

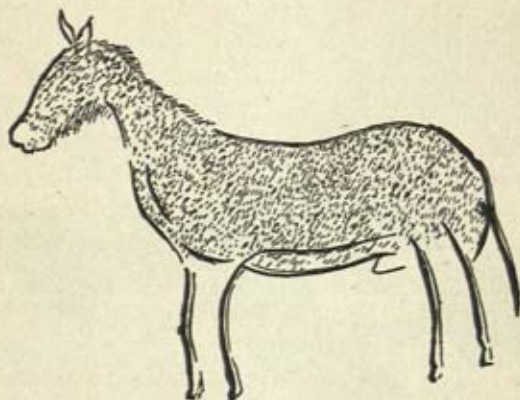


Fig. 119. Wild ass engraved on rock at Albarracín, Teruel. After J. Cabré and agreeing with the drawing published by H. Breuil.

*One-eighth actual size.*

realism, the same artistic conception, the same style and finish—similarities which could hardly be a coincidence. That, besides these similarities, there should also be local peculiarities of style is only to be expected. These consist chiefly of matters of proportion or of secondary details. Thus, for instance, as Breuil (49) has well shown, the stag antlers are portrayed in a special fashion at Cogul, Alpera, and other places. The same peculiarity occurs in certain caves to the north—such as Portel, Ariège, and La Pasiega, Santander—which is explainable only as the result of direct communication.

The close relationship of the art of both regions is further confirmed by the fact that in all essential points their artistic manifestations have followed a parallel course of evolution, which also goes to show that these were contemporary. As

shown in our chronologic tables (pp. 237, 238, see also pp. 258, 259), the earliest art of both regions consists of rather clumsy and primitive figures, followed by monochrome linear designs. Later come paintings in uniform plain color, or partly in line shading; and, finally, the semipolychrome and polychrome representations.

The Palæolithic age of the realistic paintings of eastern Spain is further confirmed by the fact that among the animals portrayed there are many species which, ever since then, have been entirely extinct in France and the Iberian Peninsula. Among these are the moose,<sup>1</sup> of which there are a number of pictures in the Cueva del Queso at Alpera, and at Minateda; the wild ass, portrayed in the rock shelter of Fuente del Cabrerizo, Albarracín (Figure 119); and the rhinoceros, at Minateda. On the other hand, the identification of certain paintings at Cogul as two bison is probable but not certain (Plate XII). Besides these, pictures of the ibex are very frequent, a fact to be attributed to the cool climate of post-glacial times.

It cannot be denied that this list of extinct species is very short; but then, even in the Cantabrian region—which presents an absolute uniformity with southern France—species that are exclusively Pleistocene (except the bison, which is abundant everywhere) are of very rare occurrence, although the mammoth, woolly rhinoceros, and reindeer are known to have existed there. It is, therefore, not very surprising to find a similar scarcity in eastern Spain. Moreover, it must not be forgotten that the object of these Palæolithic artists was certainly not to supply a complete compendium of contemporary mammals pictured for the benefit of future ages. The animal pictures found in the caves of France very rarely include beasts of prey, but chiefly portray the most preferred animals of the chase. Even among these—especially in the various regions of Spain—there seems to have been a rather limited selection of subjects, determined apparently by psychologic motives which will be discussed later.

Further evidence of the indubitable Palæolithic age of these paintings is furnished by various palæoethnical considerations. Thus, any suggestion of the peaceful life of Neolithic herdsmen and agriculturists is conspicuously lack-



ing. Their entire scenic scope is primitive, and very typical of the life of Palæolithic hunters and nomads. Except for a few "dances," the groups pictured portray only hunting and battle scenes. The men are shown nude, with bow and arrow for their only weapons; and it is surely through no mere chance that the arrows pictured at Alpera have points slanting out from one side of the shaft, unmistakably similar to the flattened points of stag horn found exclusively in Solutrean and Magdalenian deposits in Santander and Asturias (Figures 55, 92). In certain rock recesses of eastern Spain—such as the Cueva dels Tolls in the Barranco de Valltorta and the rock shelter of Morella la Vella, both in Castellón (Figure 114)—there are pictures of animal tracks. Similar ones are found in the cave of La Pileta, Málaga, and—a point of special importance—among those very pictures which, beyond question, are of Palæolithic age.

The adornment pictured in the realistic human figures on head, neck, back, and middle, as well as on arms and legs (Figures 53, 55), is typically Palæolithic (50). It is also essentially similar to the remains of ornaments of shells, horn, etc., found embedded by the head, middle, and extremities of the Palæolithic skeletons discovered at Laugerie-Basse, the Grotte des Enfants, the Grotte du Cavillon, and other sites.

Since these rock shelters are only shallow recesses, their floor almost always consists only of bare rock where no archæologic deposits have been made, or preserved. But in the exceptional cases when flint implements have been found within or directly at the foot of such shelters, they are almost always of Palæolithic type, as, for instance, at Cogul, Charco del Agua Amarga, Calapatá, the Barranco de Valltorta, and Els Secans.

Conclusive evidence of the Palæolithic age of these paintings is furnished by the direct stratigraphic succession of the pictures themselves. As previously noted, both in the north and in the east of the Iberian Peninsula it is not uncommon to find, in one and the same spot, successive layers of pictures painted one on top of another, which in many cases has made it possible to subdivide them into chronological phases. It is a fact of no small importance that in

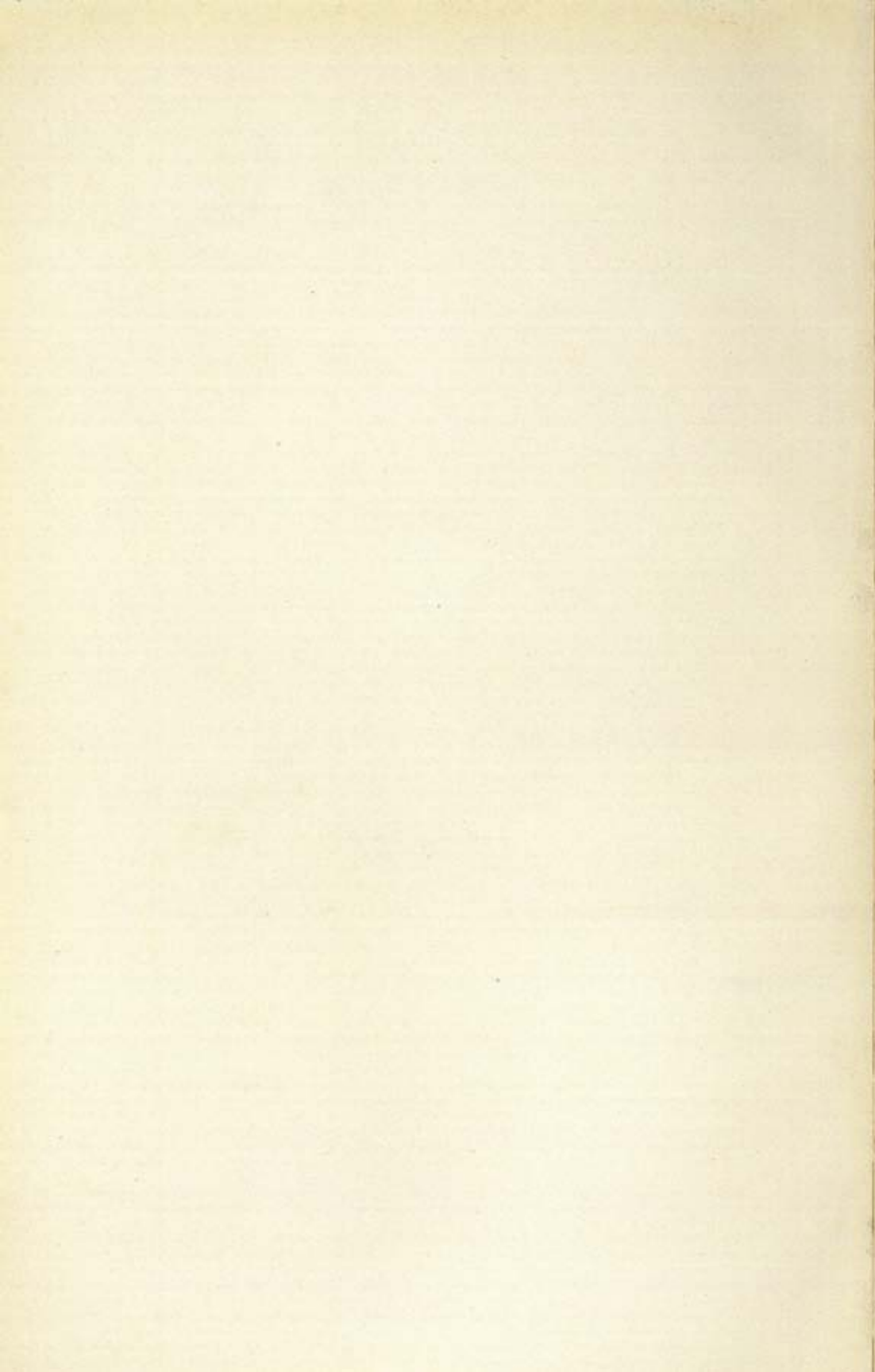


PLATE XIV

The stag hunt—a mural painting in dark red (restored), in the “Cueva de los Caballos” (see Plate X), near Albocácer, Castellón.

*Reduced in size.*





eastern Spain,—as, for instance, at Cogul, Alpera, Minateda, and Monte Arabí—these realistic paintings are often intermixed with paintings of purely geometrically conventionalized designs. In such cases the latter are easily recognized by their brightness of color as comparatively recent works, and are invariably found in the latest and uppermost layer. As shown in Chapter X, these geometrically conventionalized designs are repeated in the “painted pebbles” of Mas d’Azil, Ariège, which belong to the Azilian, the final phase of the dying Palæolithic. It naturally follows that the underlying realistic pictures must be of earlier date than the Azilian—in other words, they belong to the true Palæolithic.

In this connection it may be noted that true geometrically conventionalized designs do occasionally occur in Magdalenian paintings. Special mention may be made of certain human figures and an animal picture of this style in the cave of La Pileta, where their “stratigraphic” position allows no doubt of their Palæolithic age (51).

As to similar isolated designs, showing an older patina in their coloring, which have been found in the cave of Castillo and at other places, their age cannot be certainly determined.

In any case, the fact should be emphasized that these geometric conventionalized designs occur only as rare exceptions in Palæolithic art; while, on the other hand, no single case is known of a picture with the artistic realism typical of Palæolithic art occurring in any of the numerous pictured friezes with geometrically conventionalized designs, belonging exclusively to the Epipalæolithic or Neolithic.

From all this evidence we arrive at the conclusion that the realistic paintings of eastern and southeastern Spain came to an end no later, in any case, than the Magdalenian, and should be regarded as the regional equivalent of the realistic art of northern Spain and southern France. Their makers were peoples of Caspian culture—an industry already archæologically distinct from the Palæolithic industries of the north (pp. 202-204, Ch. VI). On this account it is natural that in the east—together with the essential similarities in style and technique—there should also be a number of local peculiarities, and that certain kinds of de-



signs common in the north, such as the "tectiforms" and the hand silhouettes, should be entirely lacking here. This lack is more than balanced by the important representations of the human figure, and the surprising scenic compositions—both entirely lacking in the Franco-Cantabrian region.

It has already been remarked what surprising similarities are found between these Capsian paintings and those in South Africa which are commonly ascribed to the Bushmen, and which certainly, for the most part, are very old.

This Capsian art, too, passed through a long course of evolution, as is clearly shown by numerous "palimpsests"—namely, by means of the direct superposition of successive layers of pictures.

Profiting by private data supplied through the courtesy of H. Breuil, it is possible, in the light of our present knowledge, to distinguish six evolutionary phases which show an unmistakable parallelism with the evolutionary phases of the Franco-Cantabrian region.

I. EARLY CAPSIAN—*First Phase*, equivalent to the Aurignacian.

Characterized by small figures, very primitive and incorrect, some realistic and some linear and with a tendency to conventionalism.

II. EARLY CAPSIAN—*Second Phase*, equivalent to the Solutrean (?).

Principally monochrome, linear paintings, of a decidedly realistic conception.

III. LATE CAPSIAN—*First Phase*, equivalent to the Early Magdalenian.

Principally full-length pictures in a uniform monochrome of very good style and technique. Later: Linear drawings, sometimes with interior line-shading.

IV. LATE CAPSIAN—*Second Phase*, equivalent to the Middle Magdalenian.

Monochrome pictures, partly shaded.

V. LATE CAPSIAN—*Third Phase*, equivalent to the Late Magdalenian.

Semipolychrome and polychrome paintings (Cogul, Albarracín, Minateda, Lavederos de Tello).



PLATE XV

The stag hunt—a mural painting in dark red, in the "Cueva del Mas d'en Josep" near Albocácer, Castellón.  
*Reduced in size.*





VI. LATE CAPSIAN—*Fourth Phase*, equivalent to the Transition to the Epipalæolithic.

Decadence to more and more geometrically conventionalized pictures.

As yet, no sites with paintings of certain Palæolithic age are known in western Spain.

In southern Spain, however, there is a most instructive and important site—the cave of Pileta near Benaolán, Málaga. It is very difficult of access, and its widely branching passages contain realistic pictures of animals—among them being wild horses, stags, ibexes, wild oxen, and fishes, as well as a bison and, possibly, a rhinoceros. They show striking similarity to the zoöomorphic paintings of the Cantabrian region, in part resembling the Aurignacian style found there, and in part an archaic Magdalenian. The tectiforms and similar signs and dotted forms sometimes coincide with typical northern designs, and sometimes are original and new. Especially noteworthy are certain pictures that appear to represent traps, with clearly defined animal tracks inside them (Figure 114). There are other minor correspondences with the style of eastern Spain—a number of details that lead to the inference that Andalusia was the center of a truly remarkable “hybrid” form of mural art, and awaken the hope that later discoveries may afford grounds for determining its importance and significance. Passing mention may be made of the most recent layer of pictures in this cave, with their purely geometrically conventionalized designs of Neolithic or Eneolithic age. An extended description of these, however, does not fall within the scope of the present chapter.

In proceeding to discuss the psychologic background of Palæolithic art we are forced to abandon the domain of exact scientific investigation and to venture into the realm of theory and hypothesis.

It is obvious that among the producers of these works—both of mobiliary and of mural art—there were a number of true artists who were not only sharp observers and splendid draughtsmen, but were also gifted with a deep sense of beauty and with the skill to portray it. Nevertheless, we



cannot suppose that they followed "art for art's sake." This applies equally to a considerable number of the objects of mobiliary art which arouse the conviction that some must be idols or fetiches, and that others, again, were fashioned to serve purposes near akin, connected with beliefs in magic or totemism. A number of writers have entertained this theory, among them Bernardin (1876), Andrew Lang (1882), S. Reinach, E. Cartailhac, H. Breuil, and others. (See also page 129.) The study of the mural art of the caves leads to similar conclusions. The mural paintings are by no means to be found in all the caves inhabited during the Glacial Epoch, even though they may offer surfaces excellently adapted for decoration. On the contrary, the painted caves are, comparatively speaking, few in number, and most of them are not habitable, or at least are very difficult of access, as, for instance, Combarelles, Font-de-Gaume, Portel, La Pasièga, and Buxu. Others, again, were indeed inhabited near the entrance, but paintings of the same age were hidden in dark and remote recesses, as, for example, in the cave of Castillo. The entrance chamber of the cave of Altamira contains abundant deposits of Solutrean and Early Magdalenian industry, while the imposing polychrome paintings in the great hall close by belong to the Late Magdalenian. The cave, therefore, was not inhabited at the time when the famous ceiling received its principal decoration. In other caves also it has been found that the mural paintings are not contemporary with the industrial deposits, but are of either earlier or later date. Thus the industrial deposit at Marsoulas—to cite but one instance—contains chiefly the bones of reindeer, an animal not once portrayed in the various animal pictures of this cave.

We must therefore dismiss any idea that the purpose and character of these paintings are merely decorative, and this conclusion is further strengthened by the fact that in many cases they are limited to the remotest crannies and clefts, wrapped in utter darkness, and only to be found with the greatest pains. Of many of the engravings it may be said without exaggeration that they are actually invisible and were designed by their makers for the eyes, not of men, but of gods.

From all this it follows that the cave men of the Franco-Cantabrian region were driven by beliefs of a mystical religious nature to penetrate the dark and often inhospitable recesses of certain caves. The numerous animal pictures were therefore associated with ideas of magic, which explains the portrayal—at Niaux, Castillo, Pasiega, and other sites—of arrows in the bodies of animals, bearing witness to

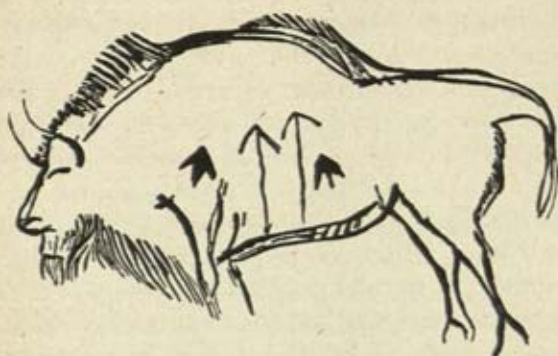


Fig. 120. Bison with arrows depicted on the body—a mural painting in black in the cavern of Niaux, Ariège. After H. Breuil.  
*Reduced in size.*

the magic incantations practiced upon them (Figure 120). That, besides this magic of the chase, they also practiced magic propitious to fertility, weapons, and similar interests is very probable. For the anthropomorphic figures, half human, half animal (Figures 59, 103), various interpretations have been proposed by ethnologists; some supposing them to portray hunters disguised as wild beasts; others, again, suggesting that they may be masked magicians or "medicine men," or else the grotesquely disguised members of some secret cult. To us, however, it appears far more likely that they represent purely imaginary forms of spirits or supernatural beings, created by the fantasy of primitive man.

The remaining designs (Figure 104) are, at least for the most part, easily explainable as related to totemistic signs. Those in the form of huts or cages, sometimes actually show-



ing "snare cords," might be described—in accordance with the known beliefs of existing tribes—as traps or cages for harmful evil spirits (52). This would also explain the fact that such designs are completely absent from the mobiliary art.

That the hand silhouettes of Aurignacian times were also made, not with any decorative purpose, but doubtless in connection with religious or magic rites, has already been emphasized (pp. 130-132, Chapter V).

We are, consequently, of the opinion that the hunters of the Glacial Epoch looked upon certain caves as sanctuaries, or as the resort of a secret cult; and that the art found there was meant to serve the purpose of primitive religious beliefs.

The same psychologic background, in our opinion, actuated the art of eastern Spain. It is true that, at first sight, one might well suppose that the artistic compositions of this region had some historic or commemorative significance. As a matter of fact, however, true battle scenes are rare; and since the hunt of the stag, wild boar, and ibex was a matter of daily occurrence and by no means dangerous, it can hardly be supposed that it would be considered of such historic importance as to deserve the immortality of art. Further, it must be noted that the human figures—which in most cases are painted as single designs, entirely unrelated to neighboring figures—are invariably "impersonally" portrayed, with no attempt at portraiture or the representation of individual peculiarities. This anonymity would serve to prevent an enemy from practicing harmful magic by defacing a person's portrait. It is well known how much existing savages, for similar reasons, fear to have their pictures taken. The portrait is considered as a part of the individual, so that damage to the former will surely involve the latter in misfortune. This leads again to the conclusion that these pictures were designed neither as a record of daily life nor for commemorative purposes, but rather that they immortalize higher ideas which must be in some way connected with primitive magic.

In this connection we must first consider the idea of protective magic, in which light the exaggerated representations of herculean chest, massive legs, and flight-like running

become easily understandable. By means of the magic of these "protective" pictures the artist seemingly designed to increase strength, endurance, and speed; and the frequent repetition of such designs would naturally lead to certain conventional and even traditional types. It also becomes clear why the body adornment of these impersonal figures should be so minutely depicted; for among primitive peoples every adornment, from the feathers on the head to the bands around the knee, is of weighty magic import and designed notably to increase the strength and dignity of the individual.

Besides this protective magic, designed to guard the person pictured, there was also undoubtedly a negative, harmful magic which consisted of making an enemy weak or harmless in effigy, before the actual attack was made upon him. In this sense we may interpret the remarkable painting in the cave of Saltadora (Figure 118), and also the battle scenes at Alpera, Morella la Vella, and Charco del Agua Amarga. Closely related to this is the magic of imitation, which represents projected undertakings either by pantomime or picture. Foremost in this class are the weapon or war dances.

The animal pictures of this region—like those of the Franco-Cantabrian region—may be interpreted as manifestations of hunting magic, combined with suggestive magic favorable to the preservation and increase of certain species on which the prosperity of those tribes of hunters depended. Under these circumstances it is clear that the artists' interest in one or another species of animal would necessarily change and fluctuate, and a striking indication of this is the fact that frequently, instead of making new pictures, they simply altered old ones to suit their new requirements. As an instance of such secondary alteration we may mention certain figures in the Cueva de la Vieja at Alpera. Here there are found several very old pictures of stags, over which were painted later the representations of three wild oxen. These latter were finally metamorphosed into stags by the addition of stag antlers. Similarly the picture of a wild ox in the cave of Mas d'en Josep, Castellón, was later changed into that of a wild boar; and a still more drastic alteration occurs



in a picture at Las Batuecas, Salamanca, where a red goat was later provided with a new white-colored head in place of its tail.

It must be seen that in the matter of religious beliefs the artists of eastern Spain present a wide divergence from those of the north, since they betray no fear of representing human figures. Their pictures are commonly found in open, easily visible rock grottos (Plate X, Figure 102). Possibly it is significant that by far the greater part of these figures are painted on a very small scale so that they could not be distinguished at a distance; and there is also the consideration that signals may have been set up at these places, forbidding entrance to the uninitiated.

Be this as it may, it is at all events clear that the cave art of western Europe, especially of eastern Spain, constitutes one of the most important and fortunate discoveries ever made in behalf of archæology. These pictures have opened for us a hitherto unknown and unsuspected chapter in the history of human art, together with vistas into the psychology of the men of Late Palæolithic time such as, until recently, none would have dared to hope.

## CHAPTER VIII

### GEOLOGIC CHRONOLOGY OF PALÆOLITHIC INDUSTRIES IN EUROPE

*Introduction—Systems of chronology for the Alpine region—Chronologic system of A. Penck—Chronologic table of A. Penck—Critique of Penck's system of chronology—Chronologic system of H. Obermaier—Chronologic table of H. Obermaier—Systems of chronology for northern Germany—Chronologic system of F. Wieggers—Chronologic table of F. Wieggers—Critique of Wieggers's system of chronology—Stratigraphy and chronology of southern Europe—Spain—Stratigraphic succession of industries and fauna at Castillo—"Cold" fauna at other sites in Spain—"Cold" fauna in the Riviera—Conclusions.*

HAVING studied the order of succession of the various stages of Palæolithic industry—from Pre-Chellean to Magdalenian—we now find ourselves obliged to seek a solution of the interesting problem of synchronizing these stages with the geologic stages of the Glacial Epoch. In this we make no pretense of discussing the "geologic age of man," since the scope of this inquiry is limited to Europe—a continent which, in the light of careful research, can hardly be considered as the possible cradle of humanity. As yet, however, it is only here that our knowledge of the glacial deposits and the archæologic stratigraphy of the Glacial Epoch is sufficient to justify an attempt at geologic chronology. In those regions where there are no glacial deposits, the character of the fauna of the archæologic deposits is in many cases sufficient to afford a trustworthy conclusion in regard to the climate, and thus to connect them with certain glacial or interglacial stages. (See Chapter II and pp. 378-403, especially the chronologic systems on pp. 27, 28, 29, 381.) It is clear that in this undertaking we need consider only the most recent theories, based upon modern geologic stratigraphy.

We will first consider those chronologic systems based upon a study of the Alpine region. The first important attempt at a systematic chronology of this region is due to



A. Penck (1903, 1909). Starting with the fact that a considerable number of Magdalenian deposits—such as those at Schussenquelle, Kesslerloch, Schweizersbild, Veyrier, Les Hôteaux, and others—are within the terminal moraines of the final great glaciation (Würm), he rightly claimed that the Magdalenian belongs to the Post-glacial Stage. And since, up to the present time, Mousterian deposits have been found only outside the Riss moraines, which are much farther from the Alpine “massif,” he concludes that the Mousterian industry was synchronous with the Third Glacial Stage. According to him, this applies only to the Mousterian with cold fauna, for he admits that there was also a more recent Mousterian with warm fauna, which is represented in the gravels of Villefranche, beyond Lyons, by flints of Mousterian type associated with remains of Merck’s rhinoceros. This latter phase he places in the first (warm) half of the last Interglacial Stage, while in the second (cool) half—the steppe phase—he places the Aurignacian and Solutrean, which are well represented in the loess of Lower Austria and Moravia. In consequence, this loess would be only of interglacial age. Thus the Chellean would have to be placed at least as far back as the Second Interglacial Stage, which results in the following table.

CHRONOLOGIC TABLE OF A. PENCK

|                                   |                                     |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Post-glacial Stage                |                                     |
| <i>b</i> Bühl Advance {           | Magdalenian                         |
| <i>a</i> Achen Retreat {          |                                     |
| IV. Fourth Glacial Stage (Würm)   |                                     |
| 3 Third Interglacial Stage        |                                     |
| <i>b</i> Steppe phase {           | Aurignacian and Solutrean           |
| <i>a</i> Forest phase {           |                                     |
| III. Third Glacial Stage (Riss)   | Cold Mousterian                     |
| 2 Second Interglacial Stage       | Chellean                            |
| II. Second Glacial Stage (Mindel) |                                     |
| 1 First Interglacial Stage {      | No vestiges of Palæolithic industry |
| I. First Glacial Stage (Günz) {   |                                     |

This system of chronology was accepted—either wholly or with certain reservations—by J. Geikie, H. Menzel, J. Bayer, and others.<sup>1</sup>

From the table above reproduced we must first eliminate

the "warm Mousterian" of Villefranche-sur-Saône. The present author, after a careful examination made at the site, is convinced that the remains of Merck's rhinoceros found here are extremely fossilized and, for the most part, water-worn, thus showing that they must have been transported hither; while the remains of mammoth, reindeer, and bison are much better preserved and not eroded, as is also the case with the Mousterian implements found here. It follows that these latter were indeed contemporary, and therefore that the industry of Villefranche is simply a "cold" Mousterian, whose geologic age cannot be exactly determined from its location on the banks of the Saône. We must strongly insist that in western and central Europe there is no true Mousterian with warm fauna. Such a fauna is found only in the Pre-Chellean, Chellean, and Early Acheulean (pp. 66, 68, 69, 72, 78), for, from the Late Acheulean on, we find a cold fauna which lasts through the final Magdalenian. Indubitable Mousterian with warm fauna is found only in southern Europe—as in Italy (Mentone) and Spain—where then and ever since the climate and fauna naturally would be different.<sup>2</sup>

As we have remarked, the post-glacial age of the Magdalenian is proved beyond question in the Alpine region, where, on the other hand, absolutely no deposits of Solutrean or Aurignacian are known. As to the Mousterian, it is with pleasure that we record a very recent discovery in the caves of Cotencher in the gorges of the Areuse, Neuchâtel, Switzerland, where H. G. Stehlin and A. Dubois have found an early (?) Mousterian deposit in direct contact with the moraines of the last glaciation of Rodano, about five-eighths of a mile within the limits of the terminal moraine. With these new data, it becomes possible to connect the Mousterian of central Europe definitely with the Fourth (Würm) Glacial Stage, and to assign a date for the Mousterian culture anterior in part to the maximum of that glaciation. (In regard to the deposit at Wildkirchli, which is not in contact with any glacial deposits, see page 85.)

Two Acheulean deposits are also known—one at Conliège, near Lons-le-Saulnier, Jura, where two hand axes, described by M. Boule, were found within the glacial area. They were



embedded in a clay which is certainly more recent than the glacial deposits of the district, which are attributed by A. Penck to the Third (Riss) Glacial Stage.

In 1887 C. Tardy described a lanceolate hand ax corresponding to the type of the Late Acheulean. It was found in the neighborhood of Challes de Bohan, near Hautecour, Ain, where indeed there must have been a veritable workshop, as five others, which have since been lost, were found at the same site. It was found *in situ*, embedded in red clay, beneath which was glacial detritus belonging—according to the investigations of A. Penck—to the Riss glaciation. It is, therefore, impossible to assign the Acheulean to a date previous to the Third (Riss) Glacial Stage, and consequently it must be placed in the Third Interglacial Stage.

To this same interglacial stage must be assigned the fauna in which the straight-tusked elephant appears for the last time, such as that of Flurlingen with Merck's rhinoceros, and that of Dürnten with Merck's rhinoceros and the straight-tusked elephant (page 399).

This fauna agrees absolutely with that characteristic of the climate of the Chellean and of the Early Acheulean (pp. 68, 69, 72). On this account we place those two industries in the early and warm phase of the Third Interglacial Stage. The Pre-Chellean is excluded from this stage by the characteristic occurrence of the trogontherian mammoth, Etruscan rhinoceros, saber-tooth tiger (*Elephas trogontherii*, *Rhinoceros etruscus*, *Machairodus*), and others (page 66), a fauna which agrees surprisingly with that of the Second Interglacial Stage (page 396).

These correspondences indicate, we believe, the chronologic position which should be assigned to the Pre-Chellean, Chellean, and Acheulean industries of central and western Europe. Here, as already shown, the "cold fauna" begins with the Late Acheulean and lasts through the Magdalenian—that is to say, into the Post-glacial Stage. Studies by E. Koken, based on the excavations of R. R. Schmidt, go to show that two phases of maximum cold may be distinguished in this cold fauna, during which an Arctic microfauna—with the lemming as its principal element—appears in the caves of Swabia. The latest maximum of cold coincides with Early

Magdalenian deposits which are certainly post-glacial, and consequently must be identified with the Bühl advance (page 28). The first maximum is indicated in these caves by deposits intervening between Late Mousterian and Early Aurignacian industrial deposits, and can therefore be identified with the Fourth (Würm) Glacial Stage. From all this may be deduced the following chronologic table, the principal features of which were established some time ago by the present author.

## CHRONOLOGIC TABLE OF H. OBERMAIER

|                                     |                                  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Post-glacial Stage                  |                                  |
| <i>b</i> Bühl Advance               | Magdalenian                      |
| <i>a</i> Achen Retreat              | { Solutrean                      |
|                                     | { Late Aurignacian               |
| IV. Fourth Glacial Stage (Würm)     | { Early Aurignacian              |
| 3 Third Interglacial Stage          | { Late Mousterian                |
| <i>c</i> Steppe phase               | { Early Mousterian               |
| <i>b</i> Forest phase               | { Late Acheulean                 |
| <i>a</i> Steppe phase               | { Early Acheulean                |
|                                     | { Late Chellean                  |
|                                     | ?                                |
| III. Third Glacial Stage (Riss)     | Early Chellean?                  |
| 2 Second Interglacial Stage         | Pre-Chellean                     |
| II. Second Glacial Stage (Mindel) } |                                  |
| 1 First Interglacial Stage }        |                                  |
| I. First Glacial Stage (Günz) }     | No indications of man's presence |

As a result of this classification, and in opposition to Penck's view, we must consider the latest loess deposit to be wholly post-glacial in age. This is indicated by the fact that various loess deposits in the Alpine region—such as those near Berg and Fischbach in the valley of the Inn—are found within the limits of the Würm moraines. Furthermore, there are the industrial stations of Munzingen in Baden and of Gobelsburg in Lower Austria. Both of these are situated in the "recent loess" and belong to the Magdalenian, an industry which is unquestionably much more recent than the Fourth Glacial Stage (pp. 34, 35). E. Koken has come to a similar conclusion, based on his studies of the loess deposits of Würtemberg and its vicinity.



Among the adherents of this system of chronology are H. Breuil, R. R. Schmidt, M. C. Burkitt, and others. It also agrees—at least in the main points—with the views expressed by M. Boule.<sup>3</sup> In 1912 V. Commont announced the presence of Chellean deposits at Saint-Acheul and Abbeville, which gave the impression of having been subjected to the action of severe frosts. This observation would almost seem to indicate the existence of a “cold” Chellean, corresponding to the Third (Riss) Glacial Stage. Remains of an animal associated with these deposits appear to be those of a mammoth with broad laminæ to the molars.

We will now proceed to consider those systems of chronology based on the study of Pleistocene deposits in northern Germany. Among these, the system presented by F. Wieggers is the result of interpretations widely differing from those previously discussed. In his latest publication (1920) this author speaks of only three glacial stages, as they are evidenced in northern Germany, where, as is well known, there is so far no geologic equivalent for the Günz Glacial Stage. The discoveries at Markkleeberg, near Leipzig, he interprets as Late Acheulean, and considers that the shotter of the Pleisse, in which they were found embedded, belongs to the glacial stage next before the last. In the not very abundant discoveries at Hundisburg Wieggers sees an Early Acheulean; in the industrial deposits of Taubach-Weimar, an Early Mousterian. He thus arrives at the following conclusions.

#### CHRONOLOGIC TABLE OF F. WIEGERS

|                                 |   |                                      |
|---------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Post-glacial Stage              | } | Late Palæolithic and Late Mousterian |
| III. Third Glacial Stage (late) |   |                                      |
| 2 Second Interglacial Stage     |   | Early Mousterian (Taubach)           |
| II. Second Interglacial Stage   |   | Late Acheulean (Markkleeberg)        |
|                                 | } | Early Acheulean                      |
| 1 First Interglacial Stage      |   | Chellean                             |
|                                 |   | Pre-Chellean                         |
| I. First Glacial Stage          |   | Eolithic                             |

In regard to this interpretation we would remark that we do not consider the industry of Taubach to be Mousterian, but rather a Pre-Mousterian with warm fauna (page 85);

while the industry of Hundisburg seems to belong rather to the Late Acheulean. Moreover, we think it evident that the industry of Markkleeberg is unquestionably a typical Moustertian, and that only at the base of this deposit are implements found with forms vaguely reminiscent of the Late Acheulean (page 86).

We are also inclined to view the geologic interpretations of Wiegiers with great caution. The Pleistocene geology of northern Germany presents a very intricate problem, and much remains to do before definite and consistent conclusions can be reached. It will therefore be understood that we give the preference to the results obtained from the stratigraphic study of the Alps, which force us to come to very different conclusions.

Finally, we will consider the results of stratigraphic investigations in southern Europe. Although the northern slope of the Pyrenees shows close similarity to the rest of France in its Pleistocene fauna and climate, it has none the less a peculiar interest on account of its intermediate situation between Spain and the Riviera. In 1905 the present author was able to demonstrate the existence of four series of fluvio-glacial deposits of gravels in the basin of the Garonne between Toulouse and Cazères—series which correspond to an equal number of glaciations. In the clay of the third terrace are found the three Palæolithic stations of Fonsorbes, Cambernard, and Saint-Clar, with an industry resembling that of the station of Infernet in the basin of the Ariège, where are found remains of the mammoth, woolly rhinoceros, giant deer, cave lion, bison, and others (*Elephas primigenius*, *Rhinoceros tichorhinus*, *Cervus megaceros*, *Felis spelæa*, *Bos bison*).

All these deposits belong to the Acheulean culture, which, consequently, was also here more recent than the Third Glacial Stage, and belongs to the Third Interglacial Stage. It has been demonstrated that also in the region of the Pyrenees the Magdalenian culture is of post-glacial age.

To the south of the Pyrenees, in Spain, both fauna and climate are radically different. The excavations made at the cave of Castillo in Santandër (pp. 161-166) indicate the following order of succession.



## STRATIGRAPHIC SUCCESSION OF INDUSTRIES AND FAUNA AT CASTILLO

|  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| 4 Most recent prehistoric deposits and | } | With present fauna   |
| Neolithic                              |   |  |
| Azilian                                |   |  |
| Late Magdalenian                       |   |  |
| 3 Early Magdalenian                    | } | With reindeer, although rare   |
| Solutrean                              |   |  |
| Late Aurignacian                       |   |  |
| 2 Early Aurignacian                    | } | With warm fauna. Of characteristic and frequent occurrence is Merck's rhinoceros |
| Mousterian                             |   |  |
| Acheulean                              |   |  |
| 1 Atypical industry                    | } | Clay of the caves with cave bear and reindeer occurring rarely                   |
| Base                                   |   |  |

The presence of the northern reindeer on the Cantabrian coast is convincing proof of the contemporary existence of a glacial stage. According to the investigations made in the Alpine region, the upper levels with reindeer remains in the cave of Castillo should coincide with the latest glacial stage (Würm) and, in part, with the post-glacial Bühl Advance. It follows, consequently, that those deposits with warm fauna that lie below—namely, the Early Aurignacian, Mousterian, and Acheulean—must belong to the latest interglacial stage, and the still earlier deposits with reindeer remains would correspond to the Third (Riss) Glacial Stage. Unfortunately, the stage of human industry which corresponds to these deposits cannot be positively identified. All we can say is that it is “pre-Acheulean” and not improbably contemporary with the Chellean culture (Figure 122).

In full agreement with these conclusions from the stratigraphic succession of deposits at the cave of Castillo, is the occurrence of mammoth remains in Solutrean deposits at San Julián de Ramís, Gerona (page 198, Ch. VI), and at Cueto de la Mina, Asturias (page 174, Ch. VI). In Solutrean and Magdalenian deposits at this latter site there are also found shells of the Arctic molluscs *Pecten islandicus* (Figure 121) and *Cyprina islandica*. We may also note the comparative frequency of reindeer remains in the Magdalenian deposits of Valle in Santander, Armiña in Vizcaya, Aitzbitarte in Guipuzcoa, and Serinyá in Gerona (page 148).

Harmonizing with these observations in regard to Spain is the occurrence in the Riviera, at the caves of Grimaldi, Mentone, of an absolutely "warm" Mousterian. On this coast of the Mediterranean the final wave of cold, characterized by the comparatively frequent occurrence of reindeer remains, is also coincident with the Aurignacian (pages 84, 116).

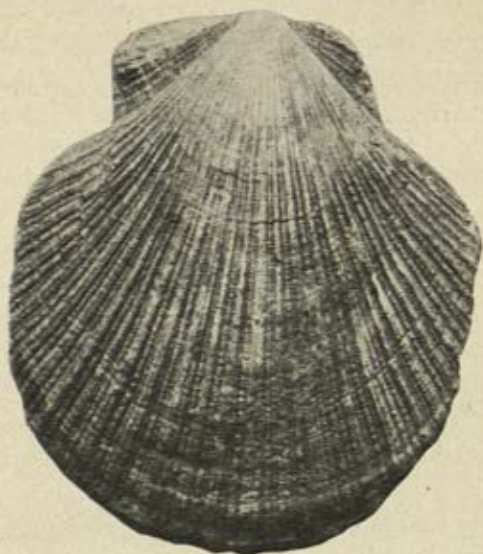


Fig. 121. Shell of *Pecten islandicus* from the Magdalenian deposits of Cueto de la Mina, now in the collection of the Count de la Vega del Sella. From a photograph.

*Three-fourths actual size.*

Conditions in the regions intermediate between warm southern Europe and cold western Europe during the transition from the close of the Interglacial to the beginning of the Würm Glacial Stage are clearly reflected in the succession of deposits at the rock shelter of Olha, not far from Cambo in the Basses-Pyrénées, southwestern France. Here, at a depth of five meters, M. E. Passemard discovered a number of layers of Palæolithic deposits, all belonging to the Late Mousterian. At the base this industry is associated





with remains of Merck's rhinoceros; in the middle and upper layers with remains of reindeer, mammoth, and woolly rhinoceros. It is thus clear that the last great invasion of cold reached the southernmost part of France during the Mousterian; while south of the Pyrenees in Catalonia and the Cantabrian region it is not until the Early Aurignacian that the fauna is affected.

It is as yet difficult to harmonize this classification for southern Europe completely with that of central Europe. The principal cause of this is the lack of sufficient data in regard to the earliest stages of the Palæolithic. There are, indeed, absolutely none throwing light on the "cold" Chellean.

Furthermore, we do not know that there is sufficient ground to assert that the different stages of Palæolithic industry in Spain are indeed synchronous with those of central and western Europe. On the contrary, it seems to us more likely that all industries of southern origin—such as the Chellean, the Mediterranean subdivision of the Acheulean, and the Aurignacian—would belong to an earlier date in the southern than in the northern regions (pp. 87, 88, 114, 201-204: Figures 37, 87, 90). On the other hand, such industries would continue unaltered for some time in the north, while further progress in new directions was operative in the south. The same would hold good in the reverse direction as regards the Mousterian and Solutrean industries, which we surmise to be, respectively, of northern and eastern origin (pages 88, 117).

There can be no doubt that in central Europe the presence of pachyderms belonging to the "warm" fauna indicates the maximum of an interglacial stage; for here they would certainly arrive later and also disappear much earlier than in the south, since the advent of a new glacial stage would make itself felt later in the fauna of the south, and then only in certain regions. The presence of reindeer and woolly mammoth in Cantabria seems to indicate the end, rather than the beginning, of a glacial maximum, since these northern species would require a considerable time to reach the farthest southern limit of their distribution. It is exactly these advances and arrested developments in the prevalent



fauna and industries, derived from southern or from northern Europe respectively, which bring up a whole series of new problems, the solution of which awaits the future.

From this exposition it will be seen that the chronologic systems so far proposed are no more than provisional attempts, the value of which will be determined by the science of the future. But at least we may safely assert that it has been demonstrated beyond question that the age of primitive man in Europe goes back to the time of the Etruscan rhinoceros and trogontherian mammoth (*Rhinoceros etruscus*, *Elephas trogontherii*)—that is to say, to the Second Interglacial Stage. According to the present author's classification this would correspond to the Middle Pleistocene—according to the earlier school, to the Early Pleistocene—and there can be no doubt that the absolute time elapsed comprises a period of very long duration.

## CHAPTER IX

### FOSSIL MAN

*Human remains belonging to the Glacial Epoch—Western Europe—France—Le Moustier—La Ferrassie—La Chapelle-aux-Saints—La Quina—Pech de l'Azé—Petit-Puymoyen—Malarnaud—Arcy-sur-Cure—Gourdan—Crô-Magnon—Combe-Capelle—La Rochette—Solutré—Lauferie-Haute—Badegoule—Magdalenian sepultures—Other human remains—Egisheim—Enzheim—Human fossils of uncertain age—Belgium—Spy—La Naulette—Other human remains—England—Pitldown—Pitldown fauna—Pitldown artefacts—La Cotte de Saint-Brelade—Paviland—Kent's Hole—Other human remains—Southern Europe—Spain—Gibraltar—Bañolas—Camargo—Castillo—Other human remains—Portugal—Italy—Grottes de Grimaldi—Human remains of uncertain age—Malta—Ghar Dalam—Central Europe—Germany—The Heidelberg jaw—Taubach—Ehringsdorf—Klause—Neanderthal—Sirgenstein—Hohlefelds—Klause—Obercassel—Andernach—Föhlingen—Human remains of doubtful authenticity—Switzerland—Freudenthal—Kesslerloch—Büsserach—Scé—Jugo-Slavia—Krapina—Czecho-Slovakia—Šipka—Brünn—Předmost—Ochos—Discoveries of doubtful authenticity—Austria—Willendorf—Gudenus Cave—Hungary—Balla Cave—Poland—Oborzysko Wielkie—Classified list of human fossils of the Glacial Epoch—Asia—Syria—China—Java—Philippine Islands—Africa—Oldoway—Transvaal—Boskop—Rhodesia—Broken Hill—North America—Central and South America—Peru—Brazil—Argentina—Australia—Talgai—Racial elements in Palæolithic times—Late Palæolithic races—Crô-Magnon race—Grimaldi race—Předmost race—Early Palæolithic races—Neanderthal type—Heidelberg type—Pitldown type—The Pitldown controversy—The kinship and ancestry of Pleistocene man—Tertiary anthropomorphs—Chronologic succession of anthropoid apes—Pithecanthropus erectus—Pleistocene age of Pithecanthropus erectus—Anatomical characteristics—Conclusions.*

THE investigations of the last few years have greatly increased the number of human remains dating from the Glacial Epoch known in Europe; while, on the other hand, the number accepted as authentic in other continents has been much reduced. In spite of this, it is believed that the cradle of humanity is to be found outside Europe—where far fewer investigations have been made—and that it is there that we may hope for the discovery of remains of the true ancestors of man.



Even the European discoveries require a severely critical discrimination, for in earlier times skeletal remains of man were reported as embedded in deposits of the Glacial Epoch when, in reality, they belonged to sepultures of later date excavated in such deposits, or else to discoveries made in disturbed ground. We will first enumerate all those skeletal remains which are proved beyond question to belong to the Glacial Epoch, and will discuss later the date which should be assigned to them. Even though we feel obliged to eliminate a number of discoveries as "uncertain," this does not mean that it is impossible that they belong to the Glacial Epoch. The further study of anthropology may make it possible—if not now, then at some future time—to reestablish more than one of these fossils as Palæolithic, although at present what is known of their situation and stratigraphic position is not sufficient to determine their age.

Of the countries of western Europe, it is France that has the greatest number of human fossils, although so far none are known belonging to the Pre-Chellean, Chellean, or Acheulean industrial stages. The oldest skeleton would be that of Le Moustier, Dordogne, provided that it really was embedded in the Early Mousterian deposits of this site, and not in the layers with the "Abri Audi" type of industry (p. 95, Chapter IV). This latter industry was also present in the deposits at Le Moustier, although apparently O. Hauser failed to recognize it. The skeleton—poorly preserved—is that of an individual about sixteen years old, and belongs to the Museum of Ethnology in Berlin. The skull is somewhat more satisfactory since its latest restoration, but it would seem that only the lower jaw is in such a state as to be valuable for scientific study. It has the interesting peculiarity of containing seventeen teeth.

From their position, associated with industry typical of the climax of the Mousterian, it is easy to determine the age of the four sepultures at La Ferrassie, Dordogne. D. Peyrony has demonstrated the following succession of strata:

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| 8 Recent detritus (humus and stones)                     | 120 cm. |
| 7 Late Aurignacian                                       | 65 cm.  |
| 6 Layer of detritus due to an ancient fall from the roof | 35 cm.  |

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| 5 Middle Aurignacian with hearths   | 50 cm. |
| 4 Early Aurignacian—scanty deposit  | 20 cm. |
| 3 Full Mousterian, with bison, stag, horse, and reindeer—<br>at the base of this deposit are the sepultures | 50 cm. |
| 2 Late Acheulean, with reindeer   | 50 cm. |
| 1 Sterile layer of detritus and red sand  | 40 cm. |



Fig. 123. Skull of La Chapelle-aux-Saints, the best male specimen of the Neanderthal type of man. From a photograph.

Two of the skeletons are of adults, and well preserved. The other two are of children, and almost destroyed (p. 96).

Contemporary with the above, and of the greatest value on account of its excellent state of preservation, is the male skeleton found in the small low cave of La Bouffia Bonneval, near La Chapelle-aux-Saints, Corrèze (p. 96).

The body was covered with a deposit from thirty to forty centimeters thick, belonging to the Middle Mousterian and containing a number of stone implements, many of which were broken. There were also layers of cinders and remains of the woolly rhinoceros (rare), reindeer, and bison (frequent), as well as horse, ibex, marmot, wolf, and others. In



the opinion of J. and A. Bouyssonie and A. Bardon, who investigated this deposit, part of these remains should be considered as offerings to the dead (pp. 96, 97), since the site in question could hardly have served as a dwelling place (Figures 123, 132, Plate XX).

Exquisite care was employed in the excavation and reconstruction of the female skeleton of La Quina, Charente, which lay in a mud deposit, above which were extensive strata of Middle Mousterian age (p. 97).

In the overlying deposits at the same site H. Martin found a great number of single bones and fragments of human bones widely scattered. Among these Late Mousterian remains—which, it is estimated, represent at least fifteen individuals—especial interest attaches to a well-preserved child's skull, and the left half of a lower jaw.

The Palæolithic deposit at Pech de l'Azé near Sarlat, Dordogne, was only one meter thick, but was covered by a layer of coarse stony detritus to a depth of three meters. About ten centimeters deep in the Late Mousterian deposit D. Peyrony unearthed the skull of a child about five or six years old, which it was easily possible to reconstruct, and which shows a true chin. The associated fauna includes bison, stag, reindeer, horse, and ibex.

A few remains found at Petit-Puymoyen, Charente, also belong to the Late Mousterian, and include two lower jaw fragments, one of an upper jaw, and several teeth. A single tooth was also found at Bau de l'Aubesier, Vaucluse.

To the above must be added other discoveries which are unquestionably Early Palæolithic, although their exact age cannot be determined. It is probable that they all belong to the Mousterian in the widest sense of the word. Among them we may mention the lower jaw of Malarnaud, Ariège—in which a chin is entirely lacking—discovered by Bourret and F. Regnault in 1888 (Figure 124). In this large cave there were two distinct deposits with no artefacts. The upper one contained remains of reindeer, chamois, ibex, horse, and others; while the lower one had remains of cave bear, cave hyena, cave lion, leopard, giant deer, mammoth, wolf, woolly rhinoceros, and reindeer. The lower jaw—well fossilized and certainly human—was found in the latter deposit. Another

lower jaw found at Arcy-sur-Cure, Yonne, has a chin that is typical although not prominent. It lay beneath an Aurignacian deposit, and was associated with remains of cave bear, cave hyena, cave lion, wild ox, mammoth, and woolly rhinoceros. Somewhat later an atlas was found at the base of the same layer, belonging to the same individual as the lower jaw. In a cave at Gourdan, Haute-Garonne, at the very base of the deposits, there was also found a fragment of

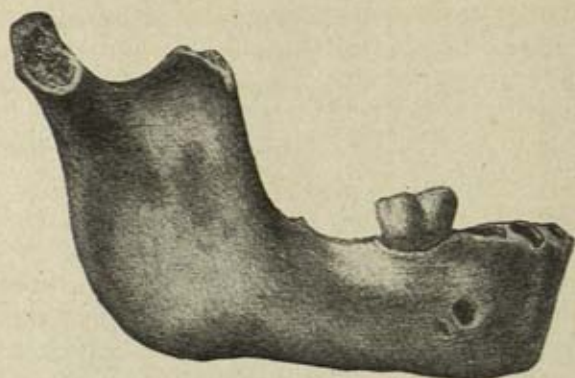


Fig. 124. Lower jaw from Malarnaud, Ariège. After F. Regnault.

lower jaw, as well as another skull fragment. The former presents decidedly primitive characteristics.

Very fortunately, fossil human remains belonging to the Late Palæolithic are quite numerous.

The sepultures at the rock shelter of Crô-Magnon, Dordogne, belong to the Aurignacian, and comprise the remains of two adults, an old man, and a woman with foetus. The male skeleton found at Combe-Capelle near Montferrand, Périgord, decked with mortuary adornments, belongs to the same period (Plate XVIII); and so also do the remains of a skeleton from the grotto of La Rochette, Dordogne. These last are not due to a formal sepulture, but consist of scattered bones belonging to one individual, and also of eleven teeth belonging to three different individuals. Some of the sepultures at Solutré, Saône-et-Loire, are unquestionably Aurignacian or Solutrean (pp. 132, 133), but no attempt was made at a careful classification. Even now it would be per-



fectly feasible to separate the old and truly fossilized material from that of the much more recent sepultures of mediæval age.

Human remains of Solutrean age are rare. At Laugerie-Haute (Proto-Solutrean) the skeleton of a deformed person was found—a discovery quite valueless as regards the racial problem, which is also the case with the skull fragments of a child, found at Badegoule, Dordogne (Solutrean).

Quite a number of sepultures belong to the Magdalenian, the greater number of which have already been described (pp. 133, 134). They are as follows:

- Skeleton from La Madeleine near Les Eyzies, Dordogne.
- Skeleton from Laugerie-Basse near Les Eyzies, Dordogne.
- Skeleton from Raymond-en-Chancelade near Périgueux, Dordogne.
- Skeleton from Cap-Blanc near Les Eyzies, Dordogne.
- Skeleton from Duruthy near Sordes, Landes.
- Skeleton from Les Hôteaux near Rossillon, Ain.

Other human remains belonging to the same period are the isolated skull of a woman, nine bowls made from skulls (Figure 63), and other skeletal fragments from Le Placard, Charente; an isolated skull from Mas d'Azil, Ariège; a bowl made from a skull at Laugerie-Basse, Dordogne; and probably the three skulls from the Grotte des Hommes near Arcy-sur-Cure, Yonne.

The following Palæolithic discoveries are of small importance.

#### *Aurignacian.*

- La Combe, Dordogne, two teeth, one perforated (MacCurdy).
- Blanchard, Dordogne, one tooth (Didon).
- Gargas, Haute-Garonne, femur—Late Aurignacian (Cartailhac and Breuil).

#### *Solutrean.*

- Lacave, Lot, frontal (A. Viré).
- Pair-non-Pair, Gironde, parietal (Daleau).
- Roset, Tarn, teeth.

#### *Magdalenian.*

- Lussac-Le Château, Vienne, lower jaw (Breuil).
- La Madeleine, Dordogne, fragments of upper and lower jaw (Cartailhac).

Les Eyzies, Dordogne, various fragments (Lartet, Cartailhac, and Capitan).

La Mouthe, Dordogne, one tooth, one vertebra (E. Rivière).

Limeuil, Dordogne, skull fragments (J. Bouyssonie).

Grotte des Fées, Gironde, fragments of upper and lower jaw (Daleau).

Brassempouy, Landes, two teeth (Breuil).

Sordes, Landes, various fragments (Breuil).

Grotte des Forges, Bruniquel, Tarn-et-Garonne, skull fragments.

Aurensan, Hautes-Pyrénées, various fragments (Hamy).

Espélugues, Hautes-Pyrénées, various fragments (Nelli).

Montconfort, Haute-Garonne, skull fragments (L. Darbas).

Gourdan, Haute-Garonne, skull fragments (Piette).

Caverne des Trois Frères, Montesquieu-Avantès, Ariège, one ulna (Count Bégouen).

#### *Final Palæolithic.*

La Balme, Savoie, fragment of skull top and femur (G. Blanc).

The skull from Egisheim near Colmar, Alsace, is considerably fossilized. It was found in 1865, at a depth of two and a half meters, in a deposit of loess and associated with remains of woolly mammoth, bison, etc., on which account we feel justified in assigning this skull—which has no Neanderthaloid characters—to the Late Palæolithic.

Of much greater importance is a discovery made by Paul Wernert in January, 1914, at Enzheim near Strasbourg. It consists of an incomplete human skeleton embedded in ocher, presumably a sepulture. It was found in the lower terrace of the Rhine, the deposits being intermixed with pebbles from the Breusch Brook and, at various places, yielding remains of the woolly mammoth. No doubt can be entertained as to the Palæolithic age of this sepulture, excavated with the skill of a specialist. Moreover, the bones themselves are extremely fossilized. Certain primitive characters in the skull support the assumption that the remains are of Aurignacian age.

There are also a number of human remains of "uncertain" age, so that much caution must be exercised in drawing conclusions from them. Such is the case with the skull of Bréchamps, Eure-et-Loir, apparently derived from a loess deposit containing Mousterian implements. The same is



true of the frontal, found in 1883 by Doré-Delente at Marcilly-sur-Eure, Eure, at a depth of seven meters, which cannot be definitely classified. The data concerning the lower jaw of a child from Estelas near Cazavet, Ariège; the lower jaw from Aubert, Ariège; the frontal from Sallèles-Cabardès, Aude; the skeletal fragments from the Grotte des Cottés, Vienne; and those from the Grotte du Fournet near Die, Drôme, are all insufficient.

The skeleton of a woman, from Le Moustier, brought to scientific notice by E. Rivière, is not authentic. It is also necessary to reject the skeletal remains of Denise, Haute-Loire; those of Gravenoire; the skulls of Resson, Aube; and those of La Truchère, Saône-et-Loire; the lower jaw from Moulin-Quignon, Somme; and that of Isturitz, Basses-Pyrénées. Finally, it is deplorable that serious scientific consideration has been given to the skulls of Levallois-Clichy and of Grenelle near Paris, the age of which cannot possibly be determined.

Belgium possesses two human fossils of extraordinary value in the two skeletons from Spy, Namur—both fairly well preserved and belonging to the Late Mousterian (associated fauna listed on p. 96). There can be no doubt that the lower jaw from the cave of La Naulette, near Dinant, also belongs to the Early Palæolithic. The floor of the cave consisted of a clay deposit eleven meters deep, in which there were seven interlying layers of stalagmitic deposit. The jaw was found between the second and third layers from the bottom, associated with other human remains and bones of the mammoth, woolly rhinoceros, giant deer, reindeer, and others. No industrial remains were found. The other human remains found in Belgium—such as those from Engis in the province of Liège, from the Trou du Frontal near Furfooz (which seems to be Neolithic), from Maestricht, and from Wyere—are of uncertain age.

England has recently (1911-1913) become a center of interest in regard to fossil man on account of the discovery of the skull and lower jaw of Piltdown, Sussex, by C. Dawson and A. Smith Woodward. Unfortunately, only nine fragments of the skull were found, including the top and a large part of the occipital and temporal bones, but not enough to

indicate the form of the entire skull, which makes a trustworthy restoration very difficult, particularly so in regard to the forehead and the face. There are also the nasal bones and a large part of the right lower jaw showing the two foremost molars and the socket of the third, but the articulation of the jaw is lacking, and so is the middle part—that is to say, the chin (Figure 125). Somewhat later, a canine tooth was discovered by P. Teilhard du Chardin, which at first was supposed to belong to the lower jaw, but which has

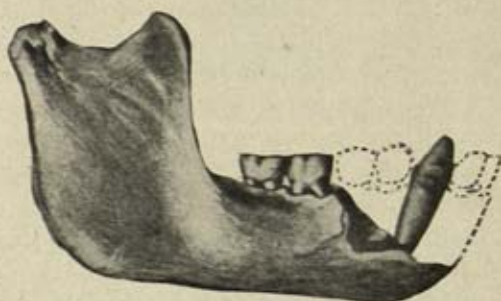


Fig. 125. Lower jaw from Piltdown, England. After C. Dawson and A. Smith Woodward.

*One-half actual size.*

more recently been considered as an upper tooth. Finally, in the winter of 1915, C. Dawson discovered in a ploughed field about a mile distant from the original spot, the inner supraorbital part of a frontal bone, the middle of an occipital bone, and a left lower first molar tooth, all evidently human. These are rolled fragments which certainly agree in thickness and extent of fossilization with the earlier find, but which give ground for belief that at Piltdown there are the remains of at least two individuals. Except for the fragments discovered in 1915, the Piltdown remains lay at the base of a bed of reddish brown gravel impregnated with iron and twenty-five meters above the present level of the river Ouse. They are fossilized to the same extent, more or less, as the remains of fauna from the same site. The fauna falls into two groups, distinguished by their state of preservation. The more ancient remains—worn and rounded—



include the mastodon, stegodon, and rhinoceros. The comparatively recent ones are not worn, and include beaver, hippopotamus, horse, and deer. The bone of a proboscidean shows unmistakable traces of clumsy workmanship by the hand of man. A small number of flint flakes also have certainly been shaped, but none of the forms are typical. It may be said that they belong to the Early Palæolithic in the widest sense of the term. According to the latest reports, these implements lay somewhat higher than the human remains of "*Eoanthropos dawsoni*," the importance of which will be discussed later on in this chapter.

Our own personal opinion is that Piltown, geologically speaking, is an ancient discovery site with two separate faunas of differing age which later became intermixed. The worn and rounded remains of mastodon, stegodon, and rhinoceros—which have been displaced and redeposited—belong to the Pliocene, as well as the numerous natural eoliths associated with them. The unworn remains of beaver, horse, deer, and hippopotamus belong to the Pleistocene; and the human remains are doubtless contemporary, as they also are much fossilized and show no signs of being disturbed and redeposited, as witnessed by the sharp angular edges of the skull fragments. Although it is not impossible that they are of Pre-Chellean age, it seems to us more probable that they belong to Chellean or Early Acheulean times, when, as is well known, the hippopotamus appeared for the last time in western Europe.

In the cave of La Cotte de Saint-Brelade, in the island of Jersey, which contains a typical Late Mousterian industry, thirteen isolated human teeth were discovered by R. R. Marett.

The human sepulture at Paviland, Glamorganshire (p. 133), discovered by Buckland in 1823, belongs to the Aurignacian. The skeleton, together with mortuary offerings of shells of *Nerita littoralis*, spindles of ivory, and a bone needle, lay embedded in ocher, on which account it was misleadingly termed the "red lady" in spite of its being plainly the skeleton of a man. The associated fauna includes the woolly mammoth, woolly rhinoceros, horse, wild boar, bear, cave hyena, and wolf.



PLATE XVI

The skull of Gibraltar—Neanderthal type. After  
A. Hrdlička.





Also of Palæolithic age are the human remains—consisting of a lower jaw and various other bones—found in 1867 at Kent's Hole near Torquay, Devonshire, associated with remains of cave bear, giant deer, mammoth, and reindeer.

The skeleton from Tilbury, near London, which is very incomplete, is apparently of Pleistocene age, as it was found about ten and a half meters deep in the gravel deposits of the Thames. Of the same age, in all probability, are the



Fig. 126. The skull of Gibraltar, the best female specimen of the Neanderthal type of man. After M. Boule.

human skeleton discovered in 1912 in the valley of the Medway Creek not far from the railway station of Halling, Kent, and the badly preserved skulls found at Bury Saint Edmunds, Suffolk, and at Manor Hamilton, Sligo, Ireland. The skeleton from Gough's Cave near Cheddar, Somerset, is classed as Magdalenian, but its stratigraphic position is not exactly determined.

The skeleton from Galley Hill, Kent, has been much discussed, but in any case shows no such extent of fossilization as the remains of Pleistocene fauna found associated with it. These also appear to be much intermixed and include typical representatives of both warm and cold climates. Since the order of stratigraphic succession and other cir-



cumstances of the discovery are unknown, no positive conclusions can be drawn in regard to the age of the human remains, which John Evans and others consider to be of early prehistoric age.

The skeleton from Ipswich, Suffolk, brought to scientific notice by Reid Moir, is inauthentic, as the discoverer himself has since declared. Of uncertain age also is the jaw bone found in 1855 at Foxhall near Ipswich, which was not seen *in situ* by any competent person.

In Spain the most complete of Palæolithic human remains is unquestionably the skull taken from Forbes's Quarry on the northern slope of the Rock of Gibraltar, which has no record of definite stratigraphic position or of associated fossils. It was discovered by Lieutenant Flint in 1848 and brought to the attention of the scientific world in 1864. Since the recent examination made by M. Boule there can be no doubt that this fossil belongs to the ancient Neanderthaloid type (Figure 126, Plate XVI).

Approximately of Mousterian age is the lower jaw found at Bañolas, Gerona, in 1887 by P. Alsius del Torrent. It was embedded in a very hard travertine, is extensively fossilized, and shows primitive racial characters (Figure 127).

The rather defective skull from Camargo, Santander, discovered by L. Sierra (Plate XVII), belongs to the Aurignacian; and so also do the lower jaw of a child and the molar of an adult found in the cave of Castillo, Santander. In the Magdalenian deposits of this cave were found fairly large pieces of two skulls which had been fashioned into bowls.

The following are also of Magdalenian age, namely: a single molar from the cave of Cobalejos, Santander; a milk molar from the cave of Morín near Villaseusa, Santander; and a few small fragments of limb bones from the cave of Serinyá, Gerona. It is also not impossible that the scanty human remains found at the rock shelter of Romaní, Barcelona—consisting of a thigh bone and a few molars—represent what is left of a destroyed sepulture of Late Palæolithic age (p. 197).

On account of indeterminate stratigraphic position or other uncertainties connected with their discovery, it is



#### PLATE XVII

Fragments of the Aurignacian skull found at Camargo in northern Spain, now in the collection of L. Sierra. White areas indicate parts restored in plaster. From a photograph.





necessary to exclude the following human remains for which a Pleistocene age has been claimed: those found at San Isidro, Madrid; at Perales de Tajuña, Madrid; at the Cueva del Tesoro on the promontory of Torremolinos, near Málaga; at the cave of Pileta, Málaga; at the Cueva de la Mujer, near Alhama de Granada; at the Estación Agút, Barcelona; and at the Cueva de la Paloma, near Soto de Regueras, Asturias. The deposits in the last-named cave



Fig. 127. Lower jaw from Bañolas, Spain. From a photograph.

were completely overturned, and originally contained—so I have been assured by Count de la Vega del Sella—a number of Neolithic sepultures which have been scattered throughout all the strata by a treasure seeker.

Two discoveries of human remains are reported from Portugal. In the Arieiro Valley, Vilanova da Rainha, at a depth of 3.7 meters, a sub-brachycephalic skull was found which was classified as probably Pleistocene, but it was not associated with any implement or fossil that would indicate



its age. In the cave of Furninha, Peniche, T. F. Nery Delgado found a lower jaw which appears to be that of a child. It may possibly be of Palæolithic (Mousterian?) age, but as it consists of only a part of the ascending ramus and one condyle, it is of little importance.

In Italy there are the numerous Aurignacian sepultures of the Grottes de Grimaldi near Mentone (p. 132), of which E. Cartailhac gives the following list.

1. Grotte des Enfants.

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| <i>d</i> Sepulture of a woman  | depth 2.00 m. |
| <i>c</i> Skeletons of two children   | depth 2.70 m. |
| <i>b</i> Sepulture of a man (Plate XVIII)  | depth 7.05 m. |
| <i>a</i> Double sepulture of a young man and an old woman of negroid type (Figure 61, Plate XIX) | depth 8.70 m. |

2. Grotte de Cavillon.

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|------------------------------------|---------------|
| <i>b</i> Sepulture of a man        | depth 6.55 m. |
| <i>a</i> Package of bones in ocher | at the base   |

3. Barma Grande.

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| <i>d</i> Triple sepulture of a man, woman, and youth | depth 8.00 m. ( <i>ca.</i> ) |
| <i>c</i> Sepulture of a man                          | depth 8.40 m.                |
| <i>b</i> Sepulture of a man                          | a little above base          |
| <i>a</i> Carbonized skeleton                         | at the base                  |

4. Baoussou da Torre

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| <i>c</i> Sepulture of a man              | depth 3.75 m.                |
| <i>b</i> Adult skeleton, badly preserved | depth 3.90 m.                |
| <i>a</i> Bones of a child                | depth 4.00 m. ( <i>ca.</i> ) |

No scientific certainty can be reached in regard to the skull discovered at Olmo in the valley of Chiana, Tuscany, although the fact that it was found at a depth of about fifty feet and associated with remains of the straight-tusked elephant would favor the belief that it belongs to the Glacial Epoch. The skull of Mezzana-Corti would apparently belong to the same epoch, having been found at a depth of 7.50 meters in the gravels of the river Po, and a similar age is attributed to the two skulls of Arpino in the valley of Liri, near Naples, to the skulls of Castenodolo, and to the skeletal remains from the cave of Romanelli-Castro, Terra d'Otranto. Since, however, it is not possible to determine the

age of these discoveries, we shall not attempt to draw any conclusions from them.

Two human molars discovered in the cave of Ghar Dalam, in the Island of Malta, embedded in deposits containing remains of the Mnaidra elephant (*Elephas mnaidrensis*), certainly belong to the Glacial Epoch, but it is open to question whether or no they show Neanderthaloid characteristics.

Although so far only a few complete skeletons of man belonging to the Glacial Epoch have been found in Germany,

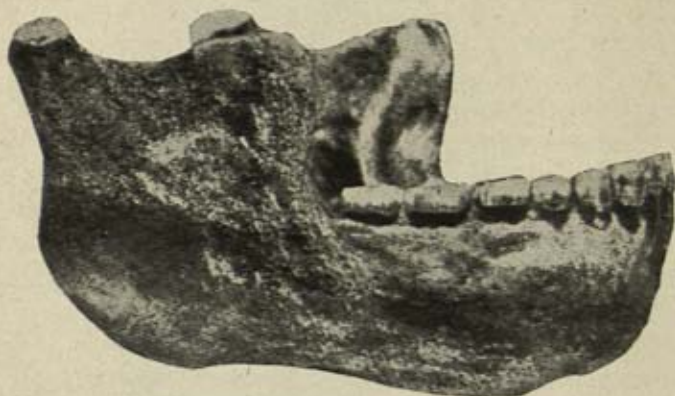


Fig. 128. Lower jaw from Mauer, near Heidelberg, the type and only known specimen of *Homo heidelbergensis*. After O. Schötensack.  
*Reduced in size.*

nevertheless this country can boast the discovery site of the most ancient known remains of our forefathers—the most ancient of which the antiquity can be definitely determined. Foremost in importance is the lower jaw found in October, 1907, near the village of Mauer, which is about six and a quarter miles to the southeast of Heidelberg. This most valuable document (Figures 128, 133) is completely fossilized and quite intact, except that the crown is lacking in a few of the molars. The jaw lay at a depth of twenty-four meters, close to the base of the sands deposited by the river Neckar, which are about fifteen meters thick and contain fossil remains of animals belonging to the fauna of the Middle Pleistocene, discussed on pages 396-399. In the



same deposit are found the shells of twenty-one species of terrestrial molluscs and of fourteen aquatic ones. Some of these are still occasionally found in the same region, but most of them are to be found now in eastern Europe. This shows that at that time the climate was more continental in character than at present. Above the sands deposited by the Neckar are strata of local gravels deposited by the creek Elsenz, and above all this are ten meters of loess. The jaw was found alone, with no trace whatever of human industry, but—as is indicated by the animal remains found at the same level (*Elephas antiquus* and *Rhinoceros etruscus*), which belong to the Second Interglacial Stage—it doubtless corresponds to the level of the Pre-Chellean deposits at Saint-Acheul (p. 66), France.

As we have previously shown, in all probability there was no true Chellean industry in central Europe, its place being taken by a Pre-Mousterian. To this age should be assigned the lower tuffs of Taubach and Ehringsdorf, both near Weimar (p. 85). They contain remains of the straight-tusked elephant and of Merck's rhinoceros, and have also within the last decades afforded human skeletal remains. These consist of three rather unimportant skull fragments, two incisors, and one molar—probably a lower third molar. Of much greater importance are the discoveries made in May, 1914, at Ehringsdorf in a quarry belonging to Mr. Kämpfe, where the lower jaw of an adult was found at a depth of 11.9 meters associated with wood ashes, flint implements, and bones of Merck's rhinoceros and the cave bear. The specimen is in one piece and includes all the teeth except the two right incisors. The left ramus is lacking and only the front part of the right ramus is preserved (Figure 129). In November, 1916, a further discovery was made of the skeletal remains of a child about ten years old, showing the change from milk teeth to permanent teeth in progress. In close contact were found remains of Merck's rhinoceros, bear, and other animals. The remains of the child's skeleton consisted of an incomplete lower jaw, two incisors and two milk molars from the upper jaw, six right and five left ribs, two vertebræ, the right collar bone, half of the left humerus, and a number of small fragments. The very imperfect state

of these discoveries is due to the fact that in both cases the remains came to light as the result of blasting with dynamite.

At the rock shelter of Klause, near Neu-Essing in Lower Bavaria, in 1913, a human tooth was found associated with a splendid Acheulean industry (p. 86).

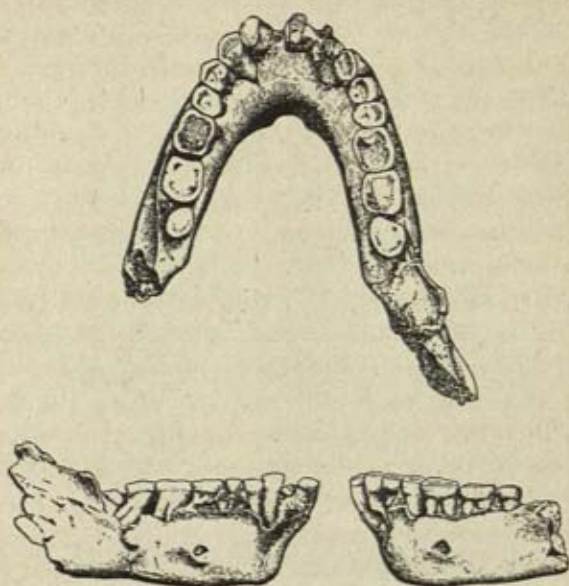


Fig. 129. Lower jaw from Ehringsdorf, near Weimar. After G. Schwalbe.

It may safely be asserted that the discoveries made at Neanderthal itself doubtless belong to the Early Palæolithic. These human remains were discovered in 1856, in the course of clearing the earth out of the small Feldhofer cave situated in the Neander Valley where the Düssel Brook flows into the Rhine, not far from Düsseldorf. Now, however, there remains no trace of this cave. The clay in it was cleared away by workmen who were not under the supervision of any educated person, and it was from these workmen that C. Fuhlrott later secured the skeletal remains, which are those of one individual, a male. They consist of the skull



top (Plate XX), the two femurs intact, the right humerus complete, the lower two-thirds of the left humerus, the left ulna intact and the upper part of the right one, the right radius complete, part of the left ischium, part of the right shoulder blade, the right collar bone almost complete, and five rib fragments—all of which are now in the Museum of Bonn. They lay at a depth of about sixty centimeters below the surface, and neither faunal nor industrial remains were found with them; but the extent of fossilization is very great, and this alone is sufficient to exclude any possibility that these remains could be those of a mediæval hermit or of a Russian Cossack of 1814. Moreover, it has been proved that the peculiarities that characterize this skull are due, not to disease, but purely to racial characteristics, and that these are sufficient to prove beyond question that it belongs to the Glacial Epoch.

There are also a number of discoveries of human remains in Germany which belong to the Late Palæolithic. Three teeth were found in the Aurignacian deposits of the Sirgenstein (pp. 112, 384, 385), Würtemberg; and a lower jaw, a molar, and a small foot bone (metatarsal), belonging to the same industrial stage, were found in the cave of Hohlefels near Happurg in Franconia, Bavaria. The other bones found at this last site are of Neolithic age. The sepulture in ocher in the middle cave of Klause near Neu-Essing, Lower Bavaria, we assume to be Solutrean, for according to the stratigraphy this skeleton must be older than the Magdalenian and more recent than the Mousterian; and since the Aurignacian is unknown in this region it is natural to connect it with the Solutrean culture, which is represented at neighboring sites (p. 118).

Of far greater importance are the two skeletons from Obercassel near Bonn, on the Rhine, which are fully described in an exhaustive monograph by M. Verworn, R. Bonnett, and G. Steinmann. They were discovered in 1914 at the "Stingenberg," at the bottom of a deposit of detritus some six meters in thickness, which consisted of weathered blocks of basalt intermixed with basaltic clay. It is apparently a case of two sepultures embedded in ocher together with two carved bone implements of Magdalenian style as

votive offerings. No flint implements were found, but in close association with the human remains were one tooth each of reindeer and bison. According to R. Bonnet, one of the skeletons is that of a woman from twenty to twenty-five years old, about 147 centimeters in height, with a dolichocephalic skull and a cranial capacity of about 1370 cubic centimeters. The second skeleton is that of a man some sixty years old, about 172 centimeters in height, the skull also dolichocephalic and with a cranial capacity of about 1500 cubic centimeters.

In the same region is the Magdalenian site of Andernach, on the Rhine, where human remains have been found consisting of two child's teeth and seven rib fragments (p. 121). A human skull top was found in the sands of Fühlingen near Cologne, which is certainly of Late Palæolithic, and probably of Aurignacian age.

The reports of Rautert and Klaatsch in regard to a "second Man of Neanderthal," found near the old Feldhofer Cave, are without foundation, since nothing is known concerning the age of these remains. It is also necessary to exclude certain remains found in southwestern Germany, namely, the skeletal remains from Moosbach near Wiesbaden, and the two skulls from Mannheim, which deserve some consideration on account of their being found at a depth of six meters. No scientific certainty attaches to the remains found at Lahr on the banks of the Schutter, Baden, nor to the skull of Cannstatt, Würtemberg, which is not Neanderthaloid, although fairly well fossilized. It would seem that it was discovered in 1700, but not until 1835 did it appear in print as an object associated with a Roman vase. Other discoveries have been claimed for sites in Würtemberg, Bavaria, and northern Germany, but these also are not admissible.

Up to the present time, only fragmentary Palæolithic human remains are known in Switzerland, all of which belong to the Magdalenian. In the cave of Freudental, near Schaffhausen, there were found one parietal and a lower jaw belonging to a person about seventeen years old, together with a few fragments of the skull and pelvis, according to J. Karsten. In the cave of Kesslerloch, also near Schaff-



hausen, a collar bone was found, according to K. Merk. In the cave of Büsserach, Jura, was found a fragment of a small leg bone (fibula), according to G. Frey. At the grotto of Scé, Jura, some skull fragments and a hand bone (metacarpal) were found, according to H. de Saussure.

In Jugo-Slavia a site of commanding importance is that of Krapina in Croatia (pp. 87, 97), where K. Gorjanovič-Kramberger discovered an industrial deposit—probably



Fig. 130. Lower jaw ("J") from Krapina, Croatia. After K. Gorjanovič-Kramberger.

*Three-fifths actual size.*

Pre-Mousterian — containing remains of warm fauna (Merck's rhinoceros) and about five hundred human skeletal fragments, all broken and some of them burned. They represent at least eleven individuals, both children and adults.<sup>1</sup>

Important discoveries have also been made in Czechoslovakia. The fragment of lower jaw found in the cave of Šipka, Moravia, is certainly Mousterian. It was discovered by K. Maška in the farthest recess of the cave, 1.40 meters below the surface, in the deepest industrial deposit, embedded in a layer of ashes (pp. 86, 385, 386).

The sepulture in the loess of Brünn, Moravia (p. 118),

so lavishly provided with mortuary offerings, must be credited to the Solutrean culture, and also the group sepulture known as the "Mammoth hunters" at Předmost, Moravia (pp. 117, 118). At this last-named site K. Maška discovered fourteen complete skeletons and remains of six others, surrounded by a circle of stones. In addition H. Wankel found here a lower jaw fragment, and M. Kříž the skull of a child, two lower jaw fragments, and other skeletal remains belonging to at least six individuals.

The incomplete lower jaw—generally known as the Ochos jaw—from the Schwedentisch grotto in the Hadecker Valley, Moravia, is certainly of Palæolithic age. The deposit in which it lay contained also remains of a Pleistocene cold fauna with traces of ashes and charcoal, but nothing that would connect the jaw with a definite cultural stage.

Among the discoveries of doubtful authenticity are the skulls found at Brůx, Podbaba, Lieben, and Strebichowitz, all in Bohemia, and also the remains found at Schlappanitz and Hussowitz, at the cave of Fürst Johann near Lautsch, at Kostelik, Byčiskala, Jachymka, and Balcarova-skala, all in Moravia.

Human remains belonging to the Late Palæolithic found in Austria include some fragments of thigh bone, of upper arm bone, and of upper and lower jaws, discovered in the Aurignacian deposits at Willendorf, Lower Austria (pp. 112, 113); and also the tooth of a child, found in the Magdalenian deposit at the cave of Gudenus, Lower Austria.

In Hungary E. Hillebrand reported the discovery of a complete child's skull—also of Magdalenian age—found 1.30 meters below the surface in the cave of Balla near Miskolcz (pp. 117, 123).

So far only one discovery is known in Poland that is unquestionably of Palæolithic age. It consists of a fragment of skull top found by S. J. Czarnowski in the Aurignacian deposits of the cave of Oborzysko Wielkie (Black Cave) near Ojców.

The following list gives in their chronologic order the most important human remains found in Europe and belonging beyond doubt to the Glacial Epoch.



## EARLY PALÆOLITHIC

*Pre-Chellean.*

Mauer, near Heidelberg, lower jaw.

*Chellean?*

Piltown, skull fragments and lower jaw.

*Acheulean or Pre-Mousterian.*

Taubach and Ehringsdorf, two lower jaws, three teeth, and fragments of a child's skeleton.

Neu-Essing, Klause, one tooth.

Krapina, remains of about eleven individuals.

(Possibly Early Mousterian?)

*Early Mousterian.*

Le Moustier, skeleton.

(Possibly Late Mousterian?)

*Middle Mousterian.*

La Ferrassie, skeletons of two adults and of two children.

La Chapelle-aux-Saints, skeleton.

La Quina (base), skeleton.

Šipka, fragment of lower jaw.

*Late Mousterian.*

La Quina (upper level), skull of a child and ramus of a lower jaw.

Pech de l'Azé, skull of a child.

Petit-Puymoyen, fragments of upper and lower jaws.

Spy, two skeletons.

Jersey (La Cotte de St.-Brelade), thirteen teeth.

*Early Palæolithic—cultural stage not determinable.*

Malarnaud, lower jaw.

Arcy-sur-Cure, lower jaw.

Gourdan, fragment of lower jaw.

La Naulette, lower jaw.

Gibraltar, skull.

Bañolas, lower jaw.

Malta (Ghar Dalam), two molars.

Neanderthal, skull top and various fragments of a skeleton.

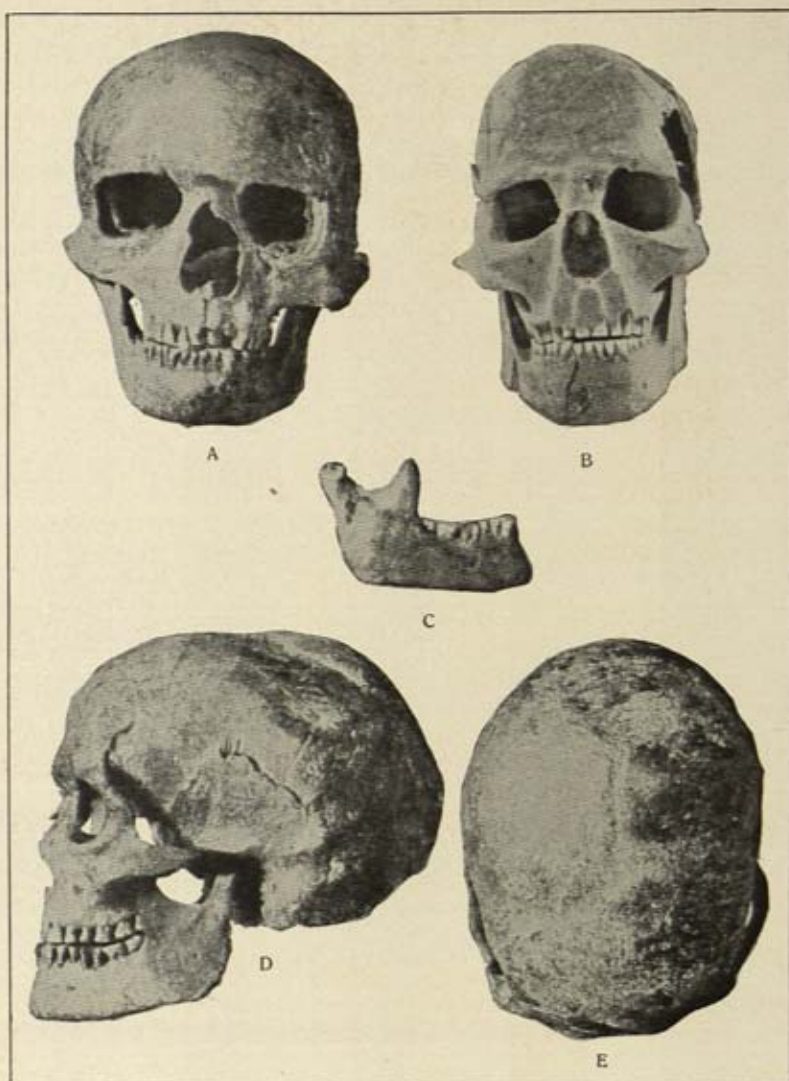
Ochos, fragment of lower jaw.

## LATE PALÆOLITHIC

*Aurignacian.*

Crô-Magnon, four skeletons.

Combe-Capelle, skeleton.



### PLATE XVIII

Skulls of Aurignacian age from western Europe. A, C, D, E—Male skulls and lower jaw of Crô-Magnon type, from the "Grotte des Enfants" near Mentone. After R. Verneau. B—Male skull from Combe Capelle, type of *Homo aurignaciensis* (?). After H. Klaatsch.





Enzheim, skeleton.  
 Paviland, skeleton.  
 Camargo, skull.  
 Castillo, lower jaw.  
 Mentone (Grottes de Grimaldi), a number of sepultures (p. 290).  
 Ojców, skull top.

*Solutrean.*

Laugerie-Haute, skeleton.  
 Neu-Essing, Klause, skeleton.  
 Brünn, skeleton.  
 Predmost, fourteen skeletons and numerous skeletal fragments.

*Magdalenian.*

La Madeleine, skeleton.  
 Laugerie-Basse, skeleton.  
 Cap-Blanc, skeleton.  
 Raymonden (Chancelade), skeleton.  
 Duruthy, skeleton.  
 Les Hôteaux, skeleton.  
 Le Placard, nine large skull fragments and one skull.  
 Mas d'Azil, skull.  
 Grotte des Hommes, three skulls.  
 Castillo, two skull fragments.  
 Obercassel, two skeletons.  
 Cave of Balla, skull of a child.

*Late Palæolithic*—cultural stage not determinable.

Egisheim, skull.  
 Fühlingen, skull top.

Human remains which are certainly of Pleistocene age have been found in Asia at the cave of Antelias in Syria (p. 115) by Father G. Zumoffen, who discovered, in the Aurignacian deposits there, a fragment of a lower jaw, a lumbar vertebra, fragments of arm bones (humeri, radii, and ulnæ), upper ends of thigh bones, and foot bones, as well as fœtal remains. These bones, belonging to at least three individuals, were scattered about in the formation (breccia) and bore traces showing that the flesh had been scraped or gnawed off.

Quite recently a discovery has been made by H. Matsumoto in Ho-nan, China, consisting of a human sacrum.



According to him, it lay embedded in loess and associated with a fauna that corresponds very well with that of the Late Pleistocene, and includes wild boar, wild ox, bison, deer, and a species of elephant nearly related to the mammoth.<sup>2</sup> The extent of its fossilization appears to be the same as that of the faunal remains.

A first left lower molar, unmistakably fossilized, was found in 1907 in the gravels of the river Sonde in Java, less than two and a quarter miles distant from the site where *Pithecanthropus erectus* was discovered. Only the crown of the tooth was preserved, and according to the investigations of O. Walkhoff and W. Dieck it is certainly human.<sup>3</sup>

The two human skulls excavated in 1890 by E. Dubois from a deposit in Wadjak, Java, which he believed to be Quaternary, may also possibly be of Pleistocene age. They are, in fact, fairly well fossilized, and in their general form remind one of the skulls of recent Australians, although much stouter and more massive than the latter. The better preserved of the two skulls seems to be female, and has the extraordinary brain capacity of 1550 cubic centimeters. Finally, in the first reports of his discoveries (1891, 1894) Dubois also mentions a lower jaw which he at first regarded as human, but later as anthropoid. It is extraordinary and much to be regretted that no report has been published in regard to this specimen, which seems to have been found quite near the remains of *Pithecanthropus*.

Another discovery which should not be ignored is the skull excavated many years ago at Manila in the Philippine Islands, in the course of raising the foundations of the Church of the Jesuits located there. It lay from 2.5 to 3 meters below the surface—consequently a little lower than the present sea level—and in any case must be very old. The skull and lower jaw have been preserved, and over thirty years ago D. Sánchez had very exact drawings made of them, which are the more valuable because since then the remains have been somewhat damaged. According to him the skull is delicately formed, small, sub-brachycephalic, and extremely prognathous, but the face does not present any Neanderthaloid characteristics. The lower jaw is far more extraordinary; there is no chin prominence, and the basal

inner parts present pithecoïd characters resembling those in the lower jaw of Piltdown. Sánchez considers this "*Homo manillensis*" to be a fossil pre-Negrito type, apparently ancestral to the present Negritos.

Great interest was aroused by the discovery of a human skeleton in Africa in 1913. It was found by H. Reck in the gorge of Oldoway in the northeastern part of what was formerly German East Africa, on the eastern borders of the steppe of Serengeti. In this gorge a series of tuffs of volcanic origin are exposed, in which five separate strata may be distinguished, as follows:

- e* (uppermost) Tuffs with numerous remains of an antelope and a gazelle, both nearly related to species now inhabiting the neighboring steppe. Climate similar to the present.
- d* and *c* Remains of elephant, antelope, and tortoise.
- b* Remains of two kinds of fossil elephant, both differing from the modern African elephant; also remains of hippopotamus and other mammals.
- a* Remains of rhinoceros.

The strata *d*, *c*, *b*, and *a*, with remains of elephants, rhinoceroses, hippopotamuses, crocodiles, and fishes, indicate a moist forest climate, and are consequently of Pleistocene age.

The human skeleton, in an excellent state of preservation, was found in layer *b* in crouching position, among the remains of mammals, embedded in a tuff partly earthy, partly very hard, about ten to thirteen feet below the top of the cliff. It is not Neanderthaloid, and approaches nearly to the modern negro type, which in no way excludes the assumption that it is a comparatively ancient fossil. Whether it is actually contemporary with the associated faunal remains, which consist only of scattered single bones, is still an open question.

A human skull, markedly fossilized, was recently discovered at Boskop in the Transvaal. It also is not of Neanderthaloid, but of negroid type, and certainly very ancient, although the lack of associated remains makes it impossible to determine its exact age. The fragmentary lower jaw indicates the existence of a poorly developed chin.



So far, the most important discovery of this sort made on African soil was brought to light in 1921 in northern Rhodesia, in the workings of the Broken Hill Mine, situated some 650 miles north of Bulawayo. In the course of working the mine, the great "Bone Cave," known for many years back, was cut through, and in it was found an incredible



Fig. 131. Skull from Broken Hill, Rhodesia. From a photograph by W. E. Harris.

number of fossilized and partly fossilized animal remains, agreeing in the main with the present fauna of South Africa, and including elephants, lions, leopards, rhinoceroses, hippopotamuses, antelopes, and bones of small animals and birds that had been accumulated. In the midst of these lay an almost complete human skull, together with a fragment of the upper jaw of a second individual, a complete tibia, the two ends of a femur, and several other smaller bones. The skull is characterized by heavy brow ridges, a low forehead, and other primitive features, and without doubt approaches closely to the European Neanderthal man (Figure 131). According to A. Smith Woodward the skull is dolichocephalic, with a cephalic index of 69. "Its large and heavy face

is even more simian in appearance than that of Neanderthal man, the great inflated brow-ridges being especially prominent and prolonged to a greater extent at the lateral angles. Although the new skull so much resembles that of Neanderthal man, the shape of the brain-case and the position of the foramen magnum are so different that we may hesitate to refer the two skulls to the same race." "The newly discovered Rhodesian man may be regarded as specifically distinct from *Homo neandertalensis* and may be appropriately named *Homo rhodesiensis*." "The Rhodesian man may therefore revive the idea that Neanderthal man is truly an ancestor of *Homo sapiens*; for *Homo rhodesiensis* retains an almost Neanderthal face in association with a more modern brain-case and an up-to-date skeleton. He may prove to be the next grade after Neanderthal in the ascending series."

Although, ever since 1844, Pleistocene age has been claimed for a number of human remains found in North America, yet, so far, it has not been possible to demonstrate beyond question any such degree of antiquity in the case of any of these remains. According to A. Hrdlička the stratigraphic position of these remains was not such as to afford any scientific verification of the age claimed, and he further notes that they present striking similarities to the characteristics of existing American Indians.

It therefore becomes necessary to exclude the following discoveries:

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| New Orleans, Louisiana, various bones,              | 1844      |
| Quebec, Canada, skeleton (?)                        |           |
| Natchez, Mississippi, pelvis                        | 1846      |
| Lake Monroe, Florida, various bones,                | 1853      |
| Soda Creek, Colorado, skeleton,                     | 1860      |
| Charleston, South Carolina, various fragments (?)   |           |
| Calaveras, near Altaville, California, skull,       | 1866      |
| Rock Bluff, Illinois, skull,                        | 1866      |
| Western Florida, fragments of skulls and skeletons, | 1871-1878 |
| Trenton, New Jersey, various skulls,                | 1879-1887 |
| Trenton, New Jersey, a femur,                       | 1899      |
| Nebraska, ten skeletons,                            | 1894-1906 |



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| Lansing, Kansas, skeleton,                         | 1902 |
| Rancho la Brea, Los Angeles, California, skeleton, | 1914 |
| Vero, Florida, two skeletons,                      | 1916 |

Discoveries in Central and South America offer little more than those in North America. In the first place, the human skeleton found in 1884 at Peñon de los Baños, near Mexico City, must be positively excluded, as its age is entirely uncertain. The same is true of the human remains from Cuzco, Peru (excluded by Eaton and Gregory), and also of those from Lagoa Santa in the province of Minas Gerães, Brazil, which represent some thirty individuals.

A number of anthropological discoveries made in Argentina are also open to doubt. Here the question of the existence of Tertiary and Pleistocene man was raised, chiefly by F. Ameghino (1911), who opened the discussion by producing an atlas and a femur from Monte Hermoso in the southern part of the province of Buenos Aires, claiming that these remains were of Miocene age and belonged to individuals of the same species, which he named *Tetraprothomo argentinus*. But it proves that the femur belongs to a carnivore about the size of a fox, while the atlas is human. R. Lehmann-Nitsche and T. de Urquiza support the theory that the atlas represents a primitive fossil species peculiar to South America, which they name *Homo neogæus*. According to O. Aichel the atlas is a small human one which is deformed, and Ihering considers its origin altogether doubtful.

In his writings Ameghino also made mention of a skull fragment which he attributed to the early Pliocene, and which was discovered in the course of works carried out at the harbor of Buenos Aires. On the strength of this discovery Ameghino introduced his *Diprothomo platensis*, with a skull similar to that of the *Cebus* monkey. After critical examination G. Schwalbe has proved beyond controversy that the fragment is merely a part of a human skull of modern type, erroneously interpreted by Ameghino. If, however, it were otherwise, it would belong—according to G. Steinmann—to the Middle Pleistocene.

Also from "Pliocene" deposits, according to Ameghino, are some human teeth found in Buenos Aires (*Protopithecus*

*bonaerensis* Amegh.), the fragments of three skulls from Necochea (*Homo pampæus* Amegh. = *Prothomo pampæus* Amegh.), two skeletons from Arroyo del Moro (*Homo sinemento* Amegh.), the skull from Miramar, also known as La Tigra (*Homo pampæus* Amegh. = *Prothomo pampæus* Amegh.), and the skeleton from Arroyo Siasgo (*Homo caputinclinatus* Amegh.), as well as various other skeletons to be mentioned later. All these remains belong to the Pampas formation, and—as shown by the excellent investigations made by R. Lehmann-Nitsche in collaboration with A. Döring, H. von Ihering, S. Roth, G. Steinmann, and others—could not possibly be of earlier date than the Pleistocene. J. Frenguelli also has recently expressed his opinion that the entire Pampas formation—from the Chapalmalal stage to that of La Plata—is synchronous with the European Pleistocene. None of the human remains mentioned shows any anatomical peculiarities such as might justify the creation of Ameghino's new species, according to A. Mochi.

Judging from the report of R. Lehmann-Nitsche (1907), the most ancient human remains discovered in the æolian loess of the Argentine Pampas are the poorly preserved skeletal remains found in 1887 by S. Roth near Baradero, Buenos Aires. These belong, at the earliest, to the middle Pleistocene, and show no characteristics that would differentiate them from the existing Indians of South America.

According to the same author the following discoveries belong to the upper loess of the Pampas, and must therefore be of late Pleistocene age.

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| Carcarañá, Santa Fé, incomplete skeletal remains of various individuals, | 1864 |
| Frías I, Buenos Aires, skull and other fragments of a skeleton (lost),   | 1870 |
| Frías II, Buenos Aires, skeletal remains of at least two individuals,    | 1873 |
| Saladero, near Pergamino, Buenos Aires, thigh bone and nine teeth,       | 1876 |
| Fontezuelas, Buenos Aires (= Pontimelo), a fairly complete skeleton,     | 1881 |
| Samborombón, Buenos Aires, an almost complete skeleton,*                 | 1882 |
| Arrecifes, Buenos Aires, skull,  | 1888 |



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| Chocorí, Buenos Aires, skull and other fragments of a skeleton,            | 1888(?) |
| La Tigra, Buenos Aires (Miramar), skull and other fragments of a skeleton, | 1888(?) |

In agreement with the above, H. von Ihering stated in 1914 that he had come to the conclusion that there is no ground for suspecting the existence of Tertiary man in South America; and he believes that man certainly entered South America by way of the Isthmus of Panama some time during the Pleistocene, together with other animals, such as the horse and mastodon.

It should be noted that in the course of his detailed studies Lehmann-Nitsche has never wavered in attributing the above-mentioned skeletal remains to the Pleistocene, while A. Hrdlička, the anthropologist, and Bailey Willis, the geologist, both consider that such documents are of very doubtful age, that the geologic and stratigraphic conditions of discovery are in no case entirely free from objections, and, moreover, that the skeletal remains differ in no respect from the typical *Homo sapiens* of the present day.

Our own personal opinion is that the criticisms of these two authorities err on the side of an exaggerated scepticism, and we feel persuaded that later explorations made in America will go to rehabilitate at least the greater part of the list of discoveries accepted by R. Lehmann-Nitsche and others.

In closing we may note that in 1921 M. A. Vignati discovered further human remains at Miramar, not far from Buenos Aires, consisting of a fragment of lower jaw with two molars still in it. According to Vignati it came from the geologic formation of Chapalmalal. If this is demonstrated, we have a discovery which probably belongs to the Early Pleistocene.

From Australia quite recently comes the report of the discovery of a skull at Talgai in the Darling Downs, Queensland. It was found in 1884 in the river drift deposits of a small stream which also contained remains of Pleistocene mammals and—it is claimed—stone implements of Palæolithic type.

Although the geologic position of the skull cannot, at this late date, be absolutely determined, it is none the less probable that it is of Pleistocene age, as it is much fossilized. It is badly crushed but shows the principal features that characterize native Australian skulls of present times. The upper jaw is exceedingly prognathous, and the unusual size of the teeth—especially of the canines—gives the skull a very primitive and apelike aspect, similar to that of the Pilt-down specimen.<sup>5</sup>

It does not lie within the scope of this work to give a detailed anthropological description of the Pleistocene human remains of Europe. On the contrary, our aim is to assemble the certain conclusions of scientific research, and to present what is thus far known of Pleistocene human types, both as regards their peculiar characteristics and their chronologic order of succession.

Glancing at the list of discoveries given (pp. 298, 299), we find that these human remains fall naturally into two great divisions. The latest of these includes all belonging to the Late Palæolithic, and consequently the Aurignacian, Solutrean, and Magdalenian cultural stages, which we have found contemporaneous with the latest glacial stage and its post-glacial phases. This entire division betrays a close similarity to modern European man (excepting certain discoveries in Moravia, which will be discussed presently); the skull is long and moderately broad or "dolichocephalic";<sup>6</sup> the forehead is well developed and the whole skull top high and well rounded; while the cranial capacity is very great, since it reaches 1600 ccm. The face is short, broad, and flat, the nostrils rather small; and the brow ridges extend above only the inner half of the orbit. The lower jaw is stout and the chin well marked. There is considerable variation in height. There are skeletons of tall individuals, such as the skeletons from Grimaldi with an average height of 187 cm.; and, on the other hand, there are others indicating a comparatively short stature, such as the male skeletons of Chancelade and Combe-Capelle, which are, respectively, 157.5 cm. and about 166 cm., and the female skeleton from Obercassel, which is about 147 cm. in height.

The skulls of these Late Palæolithic remains show great



similarity. The differences are of small importance and, so far, may well be considered as due to individual variation. Consequently, we classify them all under the title "Crô-Magnon Race" (Plates XVII and XVIII) in accordance with the great majority of anthropologists. Nevertheless, it must be noted that H. Klaatsch, V. Giuffrida-Ruggeri, and others consider the Aurignacian skeleton from Combe-Capelle, which they have named "*Homo aurignaciensis*," to be a separate variety differing from the Crô-Magnon type, especially in regard to the cephalic index and the very slender build of the skeleton. A number of French anthropologists also classify a few of the Magdalenian human remains—in particular the skeletons of Chancelade, Laugerie-Basse, and Sordes—as a separate "Chancelade Race" with affinities to the existing Eskimos of eastern Labrador and Greenland. In any case, however, they constitute races which are nearly related.

It is possible that new racial elements may come to light when the number of anthropological discoveries is increased. Some of those already known would seem to indicate this. R. Verneau has described the double sepulture found at the base of the Grotte des Enfants where a young man and an old woman were buried together (p. 290). The skulls are quite narrow and hyperdolichocephalic, with the cranial indices of the man and woman, respectively, 69.3 and 68.6, and the cranial capacity 1580 ccm. and 1375 ccm. The face is comparatively broad, and there was a fronto-nasal apophysis and well-developed brow ridges. The eye sockets were low and the nostrils apparently broad. The subnasal region and the upper and lower jaws are exceedingly prognathous. The woman's chin is quite pointed; the man's not so much. These peculiarities of skull and the relatively great length of the forearm inspired Verneau to assign the two individuals to a negroid race which he named the "Grimaldi Race" (Plate XIX).

Of prime importance are the numerous skeletons discovered by Maška at Předmost, Moravia (p. 297), a detailed description of which has not yet been published. The distinguished anatomist, C. Toldt, declares that the male skulls from this site have a flat retreating forehead and



### PLATE XIX

Skulls of the Grimaldi Race, found in the basal deposits of the "Grotte des Enfants" near Mentone. After R. Verneau. A, B, C, D, E—Skull and lower jaw of the young man. F, G—Skull and lower jaw of the old woman.





heavy brow ridges, such as are characteristic of both the male and female Neanderthaloid skulls, which will shortly be discussed. On the other hand, the men of Předmost show the well-developed chin, the laterally compressed shin bone, and other characters typical of the Late Palæolithic races of Europe. These remarkable facts suggest the possibility that in certain parts of central Europe there existed a human race essentially different from the Crô-Magnon, which should be classified separately as the "Předmost Race."

In the list of human remains previously given, we note a second and more ancient division, that of the Early Palæolithic. This division is represented by a number of discoveries—most of them Mousterian (p. 298)—which we assign to the close of the latest interglacial stage and the first half of the latest glacial stage. This division includes a branch of the human race presenting a number of primitive characteristics. It was known formerly by the quite unjustifiable title of the "Cannstatt Race," and later was named the "Neanderthal Type."

The existence of this Neanderthal man—*Homo neanderthalensis* or *Homo primigenius*<sup>a</sup>—is attested by discoveries of well-preserved complete skeletons which have been unearthed chiefly during the last two decades. These discoveries served to correct the opinion of R. Virchow, J. Kollmann, and J. Ranke, who had held that ever since glacial times man had not changed in his physical characters and that from the first there had been representatives of modern man with all his present racial characteristics. The study and description of these important specimens are due chiefly to the thorough and masterly work of G. Schwalbe and M. Boule. The most important and essential characteristics of this branch of the human race are as follows:

The skull of the Neanderthal type of man is large and low with the back part sharply rounded; the forehead is flat and retreating; while above the large and almost circular eye socket there is—in both male and female—a heavy continuous brow ridge known as the "torus supraorbitalis." This brow ridge is very characteristic of the Neanderthaloids, and is also occasionally found, although much less pronounced, in specimens of modern man, especially among the Austra-



lians. The face is prognathous and in the outer part of the upper jaw the canine fossa or groove is entirely wanting. In the modern Mongol or Mongoloid races this fossa is sometimes scarcely indicated or very much flattened. The lower jaw is stout; but as to the chin prominence, there is only the merest rudimentary suggestion of it, showing its earliest beginning (Plates XVI, XX; Figures 123, 124, 126, 127, 129, 130).

The Neanderthaloid skulls of western Europe are narrow and dolichocephalic, with cephalic indices as follows:

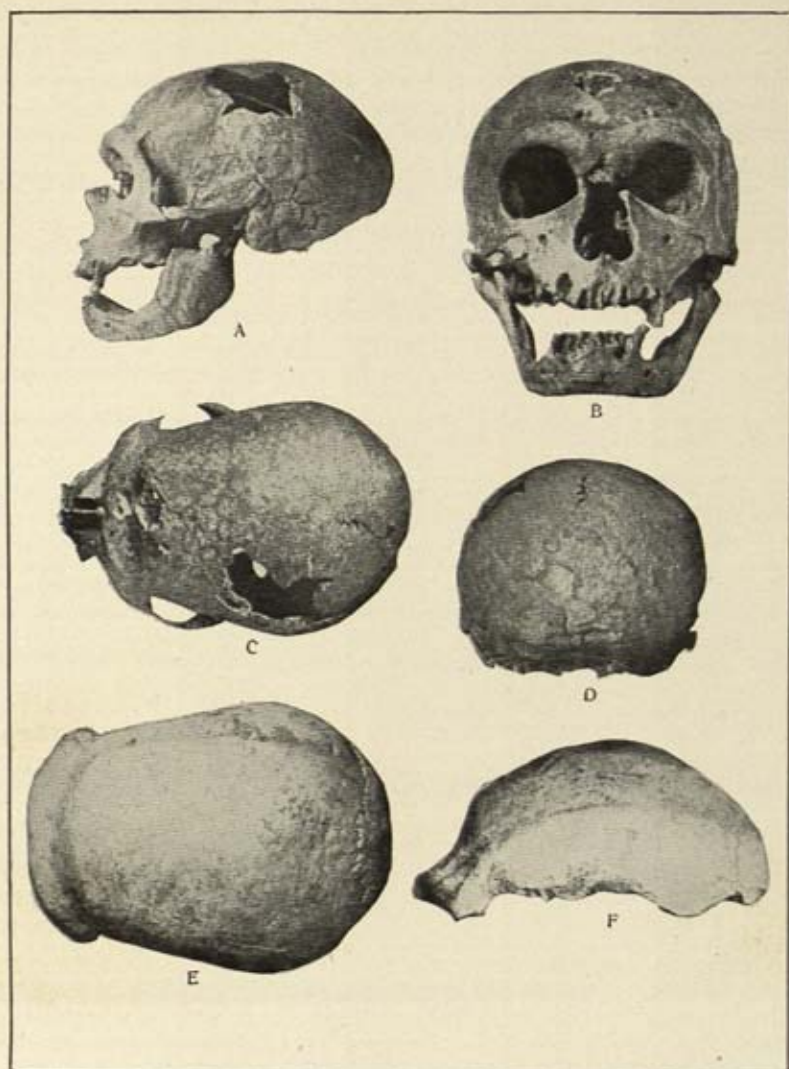
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|--------------|------|-------------------------|------|
| La Quina     | 68.2 | La Chapelle-aux-Saints, | 75   |
| Spy I,       | 70   | Spy II,                 | 75.8 |
| Neanderthal, | 73.9 | Gibraltar,              | 77.9 |

The skulls of Krapina in eastern Europe look broader in proportion to their length (brachycephalic), but it is not possible to verify this by exact measurements. Seeing that both the length and breadth of the skull of La Chapelle-aux-Saints are much greater than in the ordinary human skulls of present times, it is not surprising that the cranial capacity amounts to 1626 ccm. Estimates for the other Neanderthaloids are much lower. They are as follows:

|             |                                   |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| La Quina    | 1367 ccm. according to Boule      |
| Neanderthal | 1500 ccm. according to Manouvrier |
| Neanderthal | 1230 ccm. according to Schwalbe   |
| Neanderthal | 1532 ccm. according to Ranke      |
| Gibraltar   | 1260 ccm. according to Sollas     |
| Gibraltar   | 1080 ccm. according to Sera       |
| Gibraltar   | 1296 ccm. according to Boule      |

The Neanderthaloid brain, both in its general form and in its anatomical details—as shown by the impressions on the inside of the skull—was absolutely human, but lacking in the fine and delicate structure characteristic of the modern human brain.

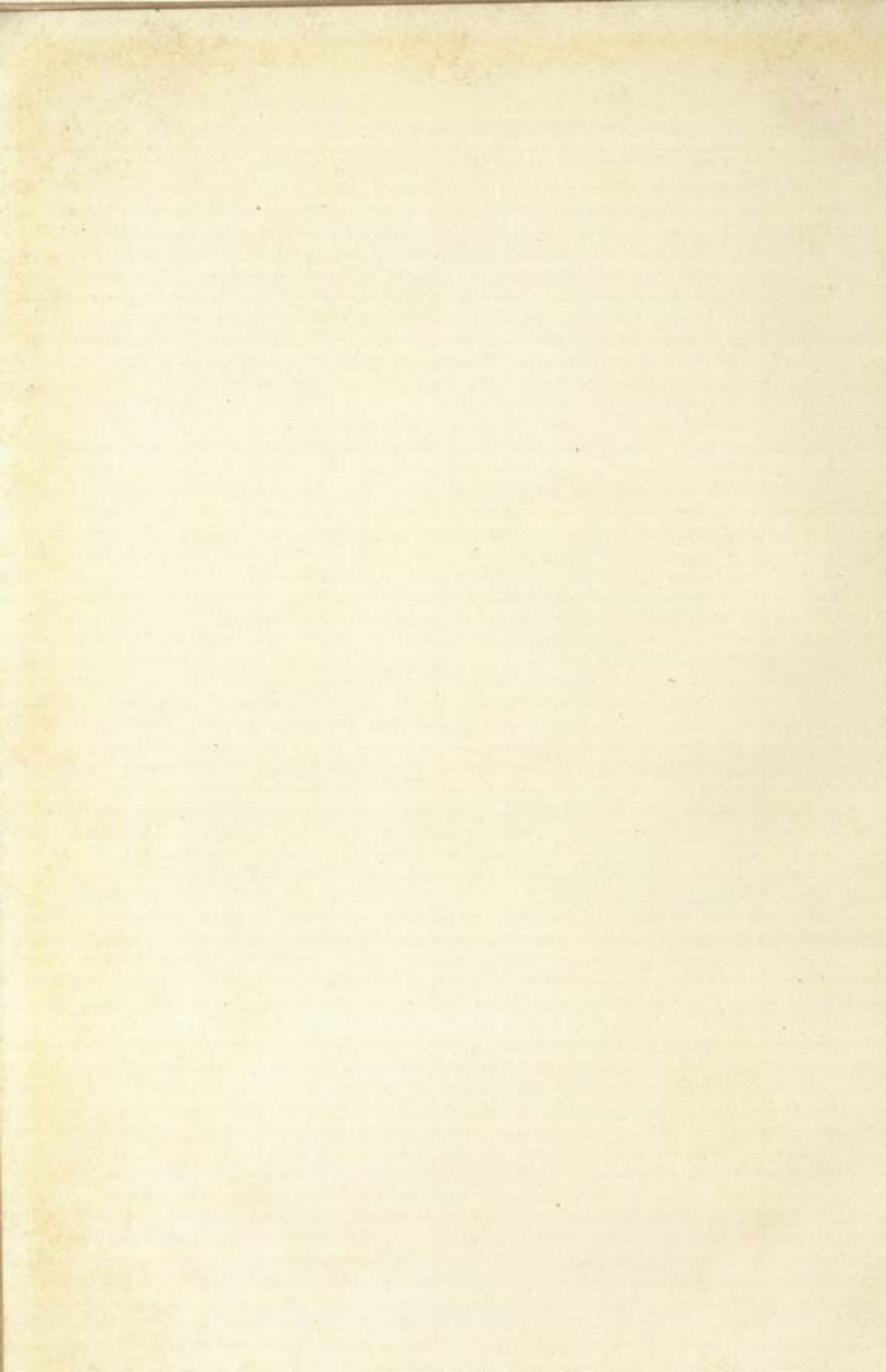
The other bones of the skeleton are coarse and clumsy. In the forearm the shaft of the radius is decidedly curved, which is very characteristic of this ancient human type. The shin bone is very thick, and the thigh bone short and stout. As to the vertebræ, they are narrow and flattened.



# PLATE XX

Skulls of Neanderthal type. A, B, C, D—Skull from La Chapelle-aux-Saints. After M. Boule. E, F—Skull-top of Neanderthal. After H. Klaatsch.





The stature of the Neanderthaloids is comparatively small, having an average of about 160 centimeters—the various specimens being estimated as follows:

|                        |        |           |
|------------------------|--------|-----------|
| La Chapelle-aux-Saints | male   | 161 cm.   |
| La Ferrassie I         | male   | 165 cm.   |
| Neanderthal            | male   | 163 cm.   |
| Spy                    | male   | 160.3 cm. |
| La Ferrassie II        | female | 148.2 cm. |

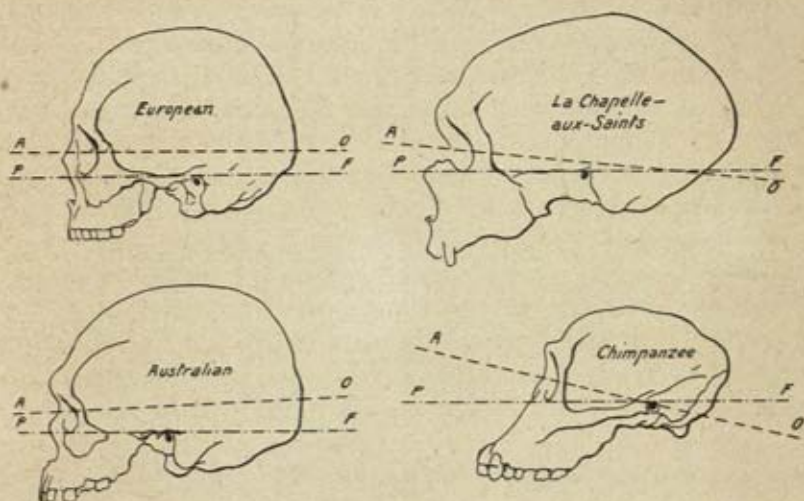


Fig. 132. Profile view of the skulls of a European, an Australian, La Chapelle-aux-Saints, and a chimpanzee. After M. Boule. A-O: Orbital axis. P-F: Horizontal line of the Frankfort convention.

In the anatomical characteristics described above, Neanderthaloid man is essentially different from the fossil men of modern type (*Homo sapiens* var. *fossilis*) belonging to the Late Palæolithic.

Equally marked is the difference between Neanderthaloid man and all the known races of existing man, even the most primitive (Figure 132). Quite erroneous was the theory of Huxley and Klaatsch, advocating a close affinity between the Australian natives and Neanderthaloid man, since the differences between the skulls of these two races are far greater and more important than their resemblances.



On this account, Schwalbe, Boule, and Toldt classify the Neanderthaloid type of man as a peculiar and very ancient species of the genus *Homo*—a view suggested still earlier by King and Sergi.

That the Crô-Magnon and Grimaldi races previously described are derived from the Neanderthaloid type does not seem likely, but there is some ground for the conjecture that the Předmost Race may lie in a fairly direct line of descent from the Neanderthaloids.

This ancient Neanderthaloid species, although completely human, possesses a typical complex of primitive apelike characteristics which are entirely lacking in the higher existing races of man, and which appear only occasionally or slightly marked in the inferior existing races, either as accidents of resemblance or convergence, or else as reversions to an earlier type.

Concerning the two lower jaws found at Ehringsdorf near Weimar (p. 292), and belonging to Acheulean times, H. Virchow has come to the conclusion that they should be grouped with the Neanderthaloids (Figure 129). That the molar found at the same site in any way resembles that of a chimpanzee or other ape is denied by both H. Virchow and P. Adloff, who declare that it presents no features that do not occasionally occur in human molars.

The lower jaw from Mauer, near Heidelberg—which shows no abnormal peculiarities—exceeds in size all the primitive lower jaws previously described (Figure 128). The jaw is excessively thick and heavy and the ascending rami are extremely broad. Not only is the chin prominence entirely wanting, but no other lower jaw is known with such a receding chin, on which account the general form of this fossil shows more resemblance to the lower jaws of the anthropoids—especially of the gibbon—than to the human lower jaw. The individual of Mauer was actually a chinless man (*Homo amentalis*), while the Neanderthaloid type has a chin and shows the beginnings of the chin prominence (Figure 133). Inside the chin the so-called “mental spines” (*spina mentalis interna*) are wanting and their place is occupied by a transverse groove, ovaloid in form. On the other hand, there are present the *sulcus mentalis* and the

*incisura submentalis*, both of which features are typically human. The dentition is perfectly human, and the size of the teeth does not exceed the limits of variation in existing human types.

Without doubt the lower jaw of Mauer must belong to a skull more primitive than that of La Chapelle-aux-Saints, and certainly represents a more ancient and primitive stage of human development than that of the Neanderthaloids. At

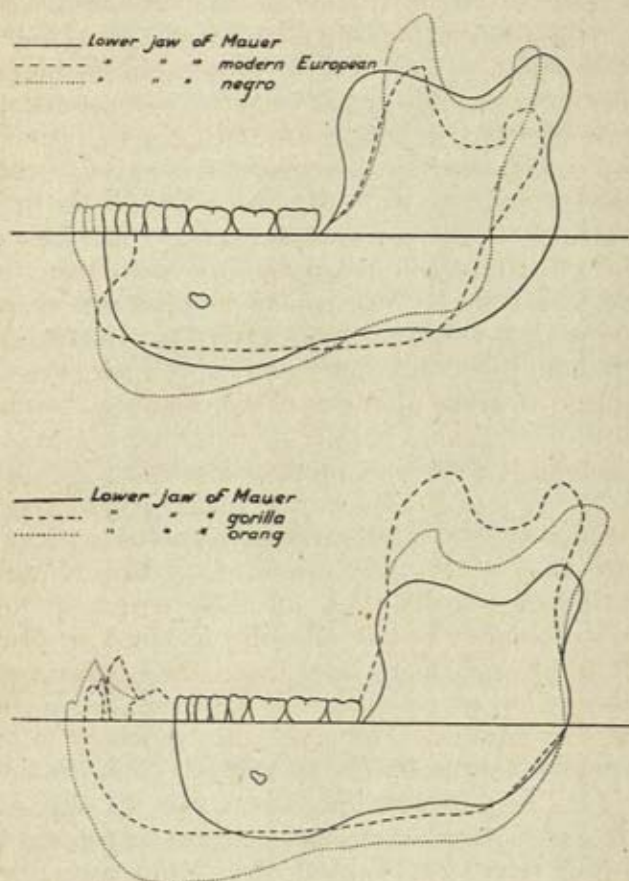


Fig. 133. Profile views of human and anthropoid lower jaws compared. After O. Schötensack. *Above:* The jaw of Mauer, a modern European, and a modern negro. *Below:* The jaw of Mauer, a gorilla, and an orang.



the present time it is not determined whether the Neanderthaloid type should be considered as directly derived from the Heidelberg form, or whether they are unrelated.

At the present writing it is far more difficult to estimate the scientific value and import of the Piltdown discovery. As previously noted (pp. 284-286), this consists of portions of a human skull and lower jaw. Quite recently the existence of fragments of a second skull has been reported. These are not discussed here on account of their being so few and so imperfect. That the skull and lower jaw are contemporary—that is, belonging to the same chronologic stage—seems to us satisfactorily proved by the fact that the extent of mineralization and the general state of preservation of both specimens are identical.

From the anthropologist's point of view, the brain-case is fairly large and similar to that of *Homo sapiens*; the forehead is well rounded and without the heavy continuous brow ridge (*torus supraorbitalis*) characteristic of the Neanderthaloids. According to Anthony and Duckworth the cranial capacity was about 1500 ccm.; while the first estimate of Woodward and Dawson was only 1070 ccm., which they changed later to about 1300 ccm. The cephalic index has been estimated at about 77. The only unusual feature of the skull is the extreme thickness of the bones (10-12 mm.). Far different is the case of the lower jaw (Figure 125), which presents characteristics so surprisingly similar to those of the chimpanzee that it must be rated as much more primitive than the Heidelberg jaw.\*

A. Smith Woodward, Elliot Smith, A. Keith, Pycraft, and M. Schlosser are of the opinion that the Piltdown skull and jaw belong to one single individual representing a new type named "*Eoanthropus dawsoni*"—an opinion which the present author shares. On the other hand, G. S. Miller, W. K. Gregory, W. D. Matthew, M. Ramström, H. Virchow, M. Boule, C. Toldt, E. Fischer, and others feel convinced that the typically human skull and the chimpanzee-like lower jaw cannot possibly belong together. The skull—according to these scientists—should be classified as *Homo* (*Eoanthropus*) *dawsoni*, and the lower jaw as that of a fossil chimpanzee, *Pan* (*Troglodytes*) *vetus dawsoni*.

The controversy in regard to the status of this interesting fossil is by no means settled as yet, and it would seem that its solution must be deferred, awaiting the light that further discoveries may throw upon the question.

The apelike characteristics found in the most ancient remains of fossil man—which we have just described—lead logically to the inference that there must be some relation between these ancient types of man and the anthropoid apes. It is, of course, only the fossil types of the latter that could be considered in this light.

As to fossil remains of the Simiidae, recent discoveries during the last few decades—especially in Europe and India—have afforded quite a notable addition to the available material, and have been the subject of careful study by a number of palæontologists and anthropologists, foremost among whom are M. Schlosser, A. Gaudry, A. Keith, G. Schwalbe, A. Smith Woodward, H. F. Osborn, D. G. Elliot, G. E. Pilgrim, and W. K. Gregory.

The geologic succession of the most important anthropoid types is given in the following table, which is based chiefly on the reports of Schlosser, Pilgrim, and Gregory:

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| V. Holocene (present time).               |                |
| <i>Troglodytes (Pan)</i> , or chimpanzee, | Africa.        |
| <i>Gorilla</i> ,                          | Africa.        |
| <i>Hylobates</i> , or gibbon,             | Asia.          |
| <i>Simia satyrus</i> , or orang utan,     | Asia.          |
| IV. Pleistocene or Glacial Epoch.         |                |
| <i>Pithecanthropus</i> ,                  | Java.          |
| III. Pliocene.                            |                |
| <i>Dryopithecus</i> ,                     | India, Europe. |
| <i>Palæopithecus</i> ,                    | India.         |
| <i>Sivapithecus</i> ,                     | India.         |
| <i>Neopithecus (Anthropodus)</i> ,        | Europe.        |
| <i>Simia</i> cfr. <i>satyrus</i> ,        | India.         |
| II. Miocene.                              |                |
| <i>Dryopithecus</i> ,                     | India, Europe. |
| <i>Palæosimia</i> ,                       | India.         |
| <i>Sivapithecus</i> ,                     | India.         |
| <i>Pliopithecus</i> ,                     | Europe.        |
| I. Oligocene.                             |                |
| <i>Propliopithecus</i> ,                  | Egypt.         |



The earliest known traces of anthropoid apes were found in Oligocene deposits of the Fayûm, Egypt, and have been described by M. Schlosser under the name of *Propliopithecus*. The only species known as yet of this new genus, *Propliopithecus hæckeli*, was about the size of a small cat (about 40 cm. long), and appears to have been ancestral to all the anthropoid apes.

A branch of this ancestral type is probably represented by the Miocene *Palæosimia* (possibly identical with *Sivapithecus*?) and the late Pliocene *Simia*—forms probably ancestral to the orang utan.

The *Dryopithecus* branch is of greater importance. This group is represented by a number of small species from the Lower Siwalik deposits (Late Miocene) of India, while a larger species, *Dryopithecus giganteus*, is somewhat more recent. In Europe, *Dryopithecus* remains have been found in the Vienna Basin, in France, and in northern Spain—also in deposits of the Late Miocene. They are divided into a number of varieties, apparently all belonging to the same species, were about the size of a chimpanzee, and were probably arboreal in their habits. From the Early Pliocene of the Swabian Alb, Würtemberg, comes *Dryopithecus rhenanus*, otherwise known as *Paidopithecus* or *Pliohylobates*. *Palæopithecus*, from the Early Pliocene of India, and *Neopithecus* (*Anthropodus*), from the Late Pliocene of Germany, may also stand in relation to this group. In any case, the *Dryopithecus* branch is of the greatest interest, not only because it seems to be ancestral to the modern gorilla and chimpanzee, but because *Pithecanthropus*—which we have classed as Pleistocene—also appears to be nearly related.

*Pliopithecus*, from the Late Miocene of Europe, is classed by Gregory among the Hylobatinae. It was about the size of the existing gibbon, and seems to have been ancestral to the same.

None of these forms has been demonstrated to be directly ancestral to the human type, so that as yet we have no certain knowledge in regard to the Tertiary ancestors of man.<sup>10</sup>

Toward the very close of the last century, a fossil anthropomorph was discovered in Java, which appeared to bridge the gap in the genealogy of the anthropomorphs. It was at



first supposed to be of Tertiary age, and was named *Pithecanthropus erectus*. This discovery was made during the years 1891 and 1892 by E. Dubois, a Dutch army surgeon, on the banks of the Solo (or Bengawan) River near Trinil and at the foot of the Kendeng Hills in central Java.

As to the stratigraphic conditions of the discovery, E. Dubois, J. Martin, E. Carthaus, and H. Stremme advocate the theory that the principal bone-bearing deposit of these Kendeng strata (a sandstone-like tuff) does not represent a fossilized stream of mud, but rather a fluvial, lacustrine, or fluvio-lacustrine formation. It is not possible, however, to determine whether these fossil bones are in their original situation, or whether they have been redeposited.

As to the evidence of palæontology, a very adequate list of mammals belonging to the Kendeng formation is afforded by the researches of H. Stremme, W. Janensch, H. Pohlig, O. Jäkel, and E. Hennig.<sup>11</sup> From this it will be seen that all but five of the genera are recent, but that out of twenty-seven species which can be identified beyond question none is identical with the species existing to-day in the same locality. It will therefore be seen that the fauna of this deposit is purely Pleistocene in character—a view that is further confirmed by the fact that all the fresh-water molluscs from this formation were found by Martin to belong without exception to existing species in the same locality.

The flora of this deposit also indicates Pleistocene age, as it consists, without exception, of species and varieties still existing. According to J. Schuster the *Pithecanthropus* deposits indicate the culmination of a pluvial phase, while, on the other hand, J. Elbert considers that the plants of the bone-bearing deposit would indicate a temperate climate which, at that time, was from 3° to 6° Centigrade cooler than at present. According to the latter author, the plants which belong to the cool zone of vegetation in Java are found in strata quite a little higher than the bone-bearing deposits. Nevertheless, Elbert, Carthaus, and Schuster all agree that the Kendeng deposits represent a pluvial phase, and Schuster considers that the difference in climate consisted not only of a lowered temperature, but that a still more important feature was an augmentation of



humidity. During this phase the limit of perpetual snow was about 800 meters lower than at the present time—that is to say, from 2200 to 2300 meters above sea level, whereas now it is from 3000 to 3100 meters. From this it may be concluded that the low-lying districts experienced a pluvial phase with temperate climate.

Summing up the results of various special investigations, M. Blanckenhorn comes to the conclusion that the *Pithecanthropus* deposits are contemporary with the principal pluvial phase in Java, and that they belong to the Early Pleistocene, corresponding for the most part with the First Glacial Stage in Europe, and in lesser measure with the Second Glacial Stage. A contrary opinion is held by W. Volz, who asserts that the tuffs in question are a product of the two volcanos, Lawoe and Kukusan; that these tuffs were deposited in part as volcanic sand and ash, but also very largely in the form of streams of mud spread over the slopes by the action of the rains; and that, in consequence, the bone-bearing deposits of Trinil were formed by a stream of volcanic mud and are not the result of flood deposits of the Solo River—from which it follows that the deposit was finally uncovered only by the erosive action of the river. According to various details of geologic evidence the eruptions of Kukusan took place for the most part during the Early Pleistocene, while the volcano Lawoe—still mildly active—must have reached its maximum of activity during the Late Pleistocene. From these important data it may be concluded that the Kendeng deposits are in no case more ancient than the Early Pleistocene, and, as they can hardly be of later date than the Late Pleistocene, it seems probable that they should be attributed to the Middle Pleistocene.

The *Pithecanthropus* remains consist of a skull top, two (three?) teeth, and a left thigh bone (femur). The skull top was found in October, 1891; the thigh bone in August, 1892, at a place fifteen meters farther upstream. Whether all these discoveries belong together—that is to say, belong either to the same individual, or to individuals of the same species—is very doubtful, especially in view of the fact that the skull top is decidedly anthropoid, while the thigh bone is decidedly human (Figure 134).

Of the skull only the top has been preserved, extending from the brow ridges in front to two cm. below the "external occipital protuberance" (inion) in the back. The cranial capacity has been estimated by Selenka at 800 ccm. and by Dubois at 850 ccm., and the skull most nearly resembling it is that of a species of gibbon.

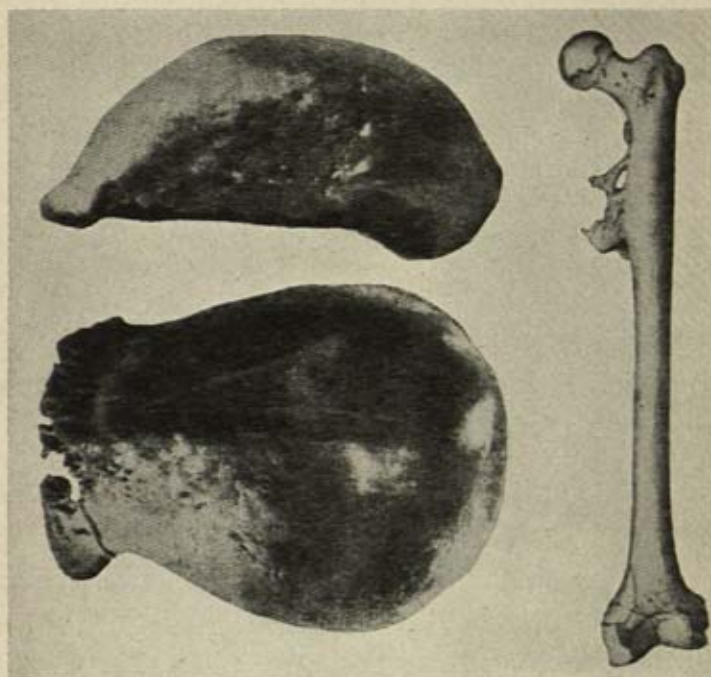


Fig. 134. The fossil remains of *Pithecanthropus erectus* from Java.  
After E. Dubois.

The teeth—consisting of two upper molars and, it is claimed, also a lower premolar—are anthropoid in appearance, like the skull top, and have not yet been described in full detail.

In contradistinction to these, the thigh bone shows practically no resemblances to the anthropoids, and—according to the most recent researches of G. Schwalbe, M. Ramström, and others—certainly none to the chimpanzee. It is 455 mm.



long and the shaft shows a diseased growth of bone (*aponeurotic exostosis*). It is therefore not impossible that true human remains may yet be found in Trinil, which would be the less surprising because—as noted earlier (p. 300) in this chapter—traces of early man have already been discovered elsewhere in Java.

It seems therefore very probable that *Pithecanthropus* was a giant Pleistocene gibbon, perhaps with no right to bear the name "*erectus*" (upright-standing), which was given in view of the thigh bone just described. In its anatomical features this famous fossil is far more primitive than Neanderthaloid man, although much further evolved than the anthropomorphs of the present day, and showing, moreover, "that degree of approximation to the human type which had been then reached by the family of the anthropomorphs" (W. Volz).

In agreement with a number of scientists, we shall set aside the question of the direct relationship of *Pithecanthropus* with the ancestral tree of man. In order to support an hypothesis of such importance as would place *Pithecanthropus* in direct ancestry to man, it would be necessary to have at least a complete skull with lower jaw. The result of a brief analysis of the existing remains is to contradict the earlier theory, and would also involve the curious paradox that this "precursor" of man was perhaps contemporary with *Homo heidelbergensis*, or with true men on the same island of Java.

This much at least is already demonstrated beyond question: that the morphologic differences between man and the anthropoid apes are by no means so great as a comparison of the modern representatives of the two groups would lead one to believe. For we know now of fossil human types more primitive than the lowest existing human races and with characteristics which are unquestionably apelike; and, on the other hand, we know of at least one type of fossil ape which was far more similar to man than any existing anthropoid.

This, together with the results obtained by comparative anatomy and embryology, is convincing evidence that the

ancestry of man must be sought in precursors either from the earliest Pleistocene or the Late Tertiary.

Unfortunately, the earliest human fossil remains—such as Heidelberg, Piltdown, and Taubach—are represented only by scanty and very fragmentary isolated discoveries, and are also limited to a very small portion of the earth's surface, namely, to Europe. It would therefore be rather premature to attempt the determination of a detailed evolutionary series or an ancestral tree for humanity in the insufficient light of our present knowledge. For this purpose it is essential that the large continental masses—especially of the Old World—be systematically explored in order to discover what are the fossil remains to be found in their Cænozoic deposits. Such future investigations will doubtless afford extraordinary remains of unknown anthropomorphs and especially of hominids; and only then, it seems, will it be possible to raise the veil that hides the earliest fore-runners of our race.



## CHAPTER X

### TRANSITION FROM PALÆOLITHIC TO NEOLITHIC

*Introduction—Interim between Palæolithic and Neolithic—Epipalæolithic cultural phases—Protoneolithic cultural phases—Epipalæolithic industries—Final Capsian or Capsio-Tardenoisian—Spain—Shell mounds of Portugal—Sepultures—Final Capsian equivalent to Tardenoisian—Geometrically conventionalized art in the painted rocks of Spain—Eastern Spain—Southern Spain—Western Spain—Northern Spain—Petroglyphs of Spain compared with the painted pebbles of Mas d'Azil—Significance of the Azilian symbols—Tardenoisian industry—France—Belgium and England—Central Europe—Sepultures of Ofnet—Indications of a cult of skulls—Azilian industry—Painted pebbles—Southern France—Great Britain—Switzerland—Cantabrian origin of the Azilian industry—Northern Spain—Subdivisions of the Azilian—Summary of Epipalæolithic industrial phases—Transition to the Neolithic—Spain—Protoneolithic industries—Spain—Asturian industry—Optimum climate in Spain—Campignian industry—France—Northern Europe during Post-glacial times—The Yoldia Period—The Ancyclus Period—The Epipalæolithic cultural phase of Maglemose—The Littorina Period—The Protoneolithic cultural phase of the Kjökkenmöddings—Subsequent occurrences in northern Europe—The Mya Period—Chronologic tables—Conclusion.*

FOR many years it was a generally held opinion in the scientific world that there was a tremendous hiatus between the Palæolithic and the Neolithic civilizations, during which large parts of Europe were entirely uninhabited. Yet a more reasonable theory—anticipating the evidence of later discoveries—advanced the objection that it would indeed be strange if man should have deserted that continent at the very time when its climatic conditions were becoming increasingly favorable. As a matter of fact, this supposed hiatus has been gradually filled, so that now a whole series of industrial phases is known which fall within the interim.

These phases—which, properly speaking, are post-Palæolithic and pre-Neolithic—have often been grouped under the general title of “Mesolithic.” But, in our opinion, this term

is not justified, as it would be if these phases presented a natural evolutionary development—a progressive transformation from Palæolithic to Neolithic.

In reality, the final phase of the Capsian, the Tardenoisian, the Azilian, and the northern Maglemose industries are the posthumous descendants of the Palæolithic, on which account we have adopted for the group the name of "Epipalæolithic." These four phases are later replaced by the Asturian, the Campignian, and the northern Kjökkenmødding industries, three phases which show no organic relation to the preceding ones, but introduce a new and essentially distinct civilization which we have termed the "Protoneolithic."

Recent investigations have shown that the Capsian industry originated in the South, in the Mediterranean region. As we have had occasion to show in Chapter V (p. 114), the Late Palæolithic culture of northern Africa was developed along entirely different lines from that of France and of central Europe. And whereas the Early Capsian is on the whole essentially the same as the Aurignacian of France, we have seen that the Late Capsian of Algeria and Tunis presents neither true Solutrean types nor any typical Magdalenian inventories of implements, but shows instead a gradual development of geometric forms, becoming smaller and more perfect in the upper, more recent deposits (Figures 86, 88). Thus there finally arise the so-called microlithic industries,—chiefly characterized by trapezoid, rhomboid, and triangular forms,—which, with the exception of certain local variants, can be traced eastward as far as Egypt, Phœnicia, and even to the Crimea.

A striking development of these industries is found in Sicily, southern Italy, and especially in the Iberian Peninsula (Figure 135). The existence of microlithic industries in India and Ceylon has also recently been made known, but as yet no particulars are available in regard to their age.

The Capsian of Spain has already been fully discussed in Chapter VI (pp. 203, 204, Figures 88, 89), so that it is unnecessary here to do more than refer to the fact that the final Capsian also is found there (Figure 135). And although special and exhaustive investigations have not yet been



made, discovery sites are already known in the environs of Aguilar de Anguita and Alcolea del Pinar, Guadalajara (p. 181), in the cave of Bermeja, Murcia (p. 194), and at Alpera, Albacete. Other indubitable evidences of an infiltration of this culture are found in the northern provinces of

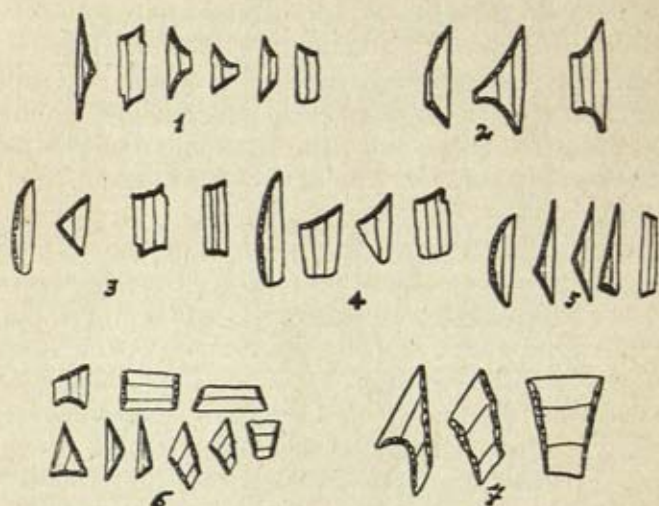


Fig. 135. Typical geometric flints. After H. Breuil. 1 Late and final Capsian from Tunis. 2 Types from the shell mounds of Mugem, Portugal. 3 Types from the Azilian of Valle, Santander. 4 Azilio-Tardenoisian types from Landes, France, and from Belgium. 5 Types from the shell mounds of Great Britain. 6 Classic Tardenoisian types from France and Belgium. 7 Advanced Tardenoisian types from Neolithic stations in Belgium.

*Reduced in size.*

Asturias and Santander, as, for instance, in the cave of Valle, near Gibaja (Figure 135, No. 3).

To these sites must be added others no less important in Portugal, the age of which has been exactly determined by H. Breuil. These are the "kjökkenmöddings" or shell mounds found at Mugem in the valley of the Tagus, about forty miles from its mouth and from twenty to twenty-five meters above the present sea level. They include the sites of Cabeço da Arruda, Fonte do Padre Pedro, Cabeço da Amoreira, Cova da Onça, and Moita do Sebastião, discovered in

1863 by F. A. Pereira da Costa. The deposits consist of huge heaps of marine shells such as cockles, oysters, whelks, nutshells, scallops, razor-shells, and others (*Lutraria compressa*, *Tapes*, *Cardium*, *Ostrea*, *Buccinum*, *Nucula*, *Pecten*, *Solen*), gathered by man at a time when the sea water reached at least as far as Mugem.<sup>1</sup> At the present time the sea water reaches only as far as Villafranca, some fifteen and a half

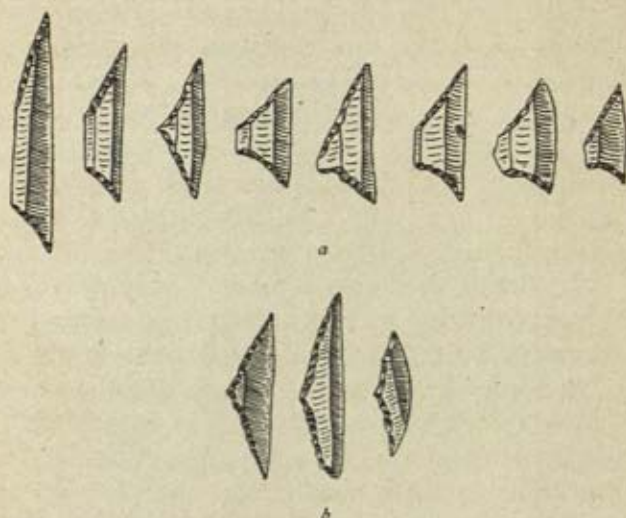


Fig. 136. Types of geometric flints from the shell mounds of Mugem, Portugal. After H. Breuil. *a* Trapezoidal forms from Cabeço da Arruda and Moita do Sebastião. *b* Triangular forms from Cova da Onça.

*Three-fifths actual size.*

miles down-river, and that only at the highest tides. The fauna of these deposits does not include any domestic animals—except perhaps the dog—and consists of wild cattle, deer, sheep or goat, horse, swine, dog or wolf, felines, badger, civet, and hare. Implements of polished stone and remains of pottery are altogether lacking. Only in the uppermost levels a few potsherds were found, which clearly belong to a later age.

Together with simple bone implements there were a great number of geometric microliths, and at certain sites—such



as Cova da Onça—the triangular forms were predominant, while at others—such as Cabeço da Arruda and Moita do Sebastião—the trapezoid forms were favored (Figure 136, also Figure 135, No. 2). The almost complete absence of gravers goes to show that these stations belong outside the Palæolithic, and should be classed as Epipalæolithic of the final Capsian phase.

At the base of the shell heaps there were usually sepulchres, of which over two hundred have been excavated. Most of these were of women and children, the remains of men being comparatively rare. The skeletons were almost all in crouching position or else lying on the back; and around them were numerous flint implements, which suggested to Pereira da Costa and Carlos Ribeiro the possibility that—in part at least—these might be offerings to the dead. The skull measurements showed a predominance of the long-headed type, while the broad-headed type was rare, the moderately broad-headed type being represented by only two specimens. This long-headed (dolichocephalic) type, which A. A. Mendes Correa has named *Homo (afer) taganus*, is characterized by low stature. The face is rather long and decidedly prognathous, chin prominent, orbits generally low, and cranial capacity small. Mendes Correa considers that this *Homo taganus* should be included in a group of inferior races, probably of southern origin—a view which coincides with the migration route of Tardenoisian civilization. The short-headed (brachycephalic) types of the shell mounds of Mugem, together with those from the Azilian station at Ofnet in western Bavaria, constitute the most ancient definitely ascertained instances of brachycephaly in the European *Homo sapiens*.

By this time it has no doubt occurred to the reader that this final Capsian phase of Spain is in all essential points identical with the Tardenoisian of France. It is, therefore, well to add here that this Tardenoisian, especially in its earliest phases, is clearly derived from the Late Capsian of Spain, and that well-defined traces of the latter are found in the Cantabrian region (Santander and Asturias) intermixed with the contemporary Azilian industry. We shall



presently have occasion to take up this problem more specifically (pp. 347, 348; also the map, Figure 147).

Peoples of Late Capsian culture were the authors of that remarkable art of eastern Spain which, according to our present knowledge, is distinguished by its numerous representations of the human form. In many of the important rock shelters of this eastern region it has been possible to distinguish layers of more recent designs, painted over the classic Palæolithic designs, which on account of this superposition have been classified as "post-Palæolithic" (Chapter VII, especially pp. 256, 257; also Plate XII). A few of these which are in the old realistic style represent animals and men, but they are poorly conceived, coarse, and lifeless, not to be compared with the vigor and exuberance of the Palæolithic paintings. The greater part of these more recent designs, however, consist entirely of geometrically conventionalized figures and geometric symbols.

Purer in style and more abundant are the conventionalized designs which characterize the mural art of southern Spain, which have been studied with assiduity by M. de Góngora, Vilanova, M. Gómez-Moreno, F. de Motos, H. Breuil, A. Cabrera, Count de la Vega del Sella, P. Wernert, J. Cabré, and E. Hernández-Pacheco. There are numerous painted rock shelters, but almost all of them are without even the faintest trace of Palæolithic art, while there is a great number of conventionalized petroglyphs, both in Andalusia near Vélez Blanco, Ronda, and Tarifa, and throughout the Sierra Morena, chiefly in the neighborhood of Fuencaliente (Figures 137 and 138). In many cases it would be difficult to trace the derivation of these geometrically conventionalized designs of human and animal forms, were it not that we have a whole series of designs showing the stages of evolution from the realistic natural form to the final geometrically conventionalized design. With these there are also found a great number of symbols—branching lines, pectiniform patterns, star shapes, serpentine and alphabetic forms, with designs in zigzags, circles, and dots.

Another important art center is in western Spain (Extremadura), where these notable designs were remarked by Lope de Vega in 1597, being referred to in his comedy "Las





Fig. 137. Conventionalized designs of men and animals from the Cueva del Tajo de las Figuras on Lake Janda, Cádiz. From an original photograph by M. E. Burkitt.



Fig. 138. Conventionalized human forms painted in red, from the "Piedra Escrita" near Fuencaliente, Ciudad Real.

Batuecas del Duque de Alba." These are the paintings of the so-called Canchal de las Cabras at Las Batuecas.

Faint traces of the influence of this style have also been found in some of the painted caves and rocks of northern Spain. It should also be noted that paintings of this same geometric style are found in the cave of La Vache near Tarascon, Ariège, in southern France.

As yet it is not possible to determine when and where was the beginning of this post-Palæolithic art, of which there are also a few isolated specimens in the cave of Pileta, Málaga, among the many pictures of purely Palæolithic character



Fig. 139. A petroglyph from Jimena (a) and a painted pebble from Mas d'Azil (b) compared. After P. Wernert.

(p. 434 ref. (51)). Furthermore, it must be emphasized that the evolution and transition from the purely realistic Palæolithic rock paintings of eastern Spain to the stiff conventionalized forms and, finally, to the geometrically conventionalized designs, took place gradually and almost imperceptibly. This also goes to show that at the same time there was no sudden change of racial elements in the inhabitants of the Iberian Peninsula, but that the tribes of Late Capsian culture—continuing in the same place—gradually developed their industry into that final phase of the Capsian which is also known as the “Capsio-Tardenoisian.” From this latter industry, with the addition of foreign elements, they eventually developed the Neolithic.

A point of great importance is the fact that a large number



of the conventionalized designs of these rock paintings or "petroglyphs" are found reproduced on the painted pebbles of the Azilian industry. The latter phase—as we shall presently see (pp. 347, 348)—is purely Epipalæolithic, geographically not far removed from the final phase of the Capsian, and contemporary with it, so that the two cultures intermixed and mutually influenced each other. The resemblances between their two forms of art expression—the conventionalized designs of the rock paintings and of the Azilian pebbles—permits the definite determination of many of the Azilian symbols which hitherto were undecipherable, and also demonstrates beyond question that by Capsio-Tardenoisian times the realistic style of art had fallen into complete disuse, being replaced by much conventionalized or purely geometric designs (pp. 330-334).

In 1912 H. Breuil had already taken these facts into consideration, speaking of the "Azilian symbols" at Las Batuecas, Extremadura, and showing the resemblance of such paintings both to the painted pebbles of Mas d'Azil and to the mural paintings of Andalusia. But, above all, he emphasized the importance of the "punctuations alignées, signes ramiformes, pectiformes, stelliformes, zigzags, cercles, et figures vaguement alphabetiformes."

In 1915 the present author had occasion to review the material from Mas d'Azil together with P. Wernert, and came to the conclusion that a number of the symbols were geometrically conventionalized human forms, which is made evident by comparison with a series of the conventionalized designs of southern Spain.

These series of pictures and symbols we have classified into thirteen groups, shown in Plate XXI.

The chronologic order of succession in these series is certainly correct in the main, and it would also be an easy matter to trace the semirealistic designs at the beginning of each series back to their original types among the purely realistic Palæolithic designs. This transition must have taken place during the time between the Late Capsian and the final Capsian (Capsio-Tardenoisian). This is proved by the fact that in the final Capsian the conventionalized designs appear completely standardized. They are seen

therefore on the same surface of rock, the one close to the other. The same is true of the designs on the painted pebbles of Mas d'Azil, with the result that the anthropomorphic figures (Figure 139) are intermixed with the simple and conventional reductions in such a way that the latter appear like "stenographic" reproductions of the human figure.

The proved existence of "human figures" among the designs on the Azilian pebbles gives rise to most interesting speculations in regard to their real significance, which was long supposed by many scientists to be that of religious symbols. In particular A. B. Cook and F. Sarasin have drawn attention to the apparent similarity of these stones to the "churingas" (or "tjurungas") found among the Australian tribes of the Arunta, Kaitish, Warramunga, and Achilpa, as well as in Tasmania. They are made either of wood or stone, and in the latter case are exceedingly similar to the Azilian pebbles, both in shape and design. As "ancestor stones" or "soul stones" they are supposed to embody deceased forefathers. P. Wernert recently (1916) extended this explanation, having come to the conclusion that both the modern churingas and the Epipalæolithic pebbles present two classes of design—the one with conventionalized human forms, and the other with symbolic, biomorphic signs; that is to say, with totem pictures. Both are derived from the belief that human creatures, as well as certain animals, plants, and so forth, are to be considered in the light of creating or protecting ancestors, and, as such, become the objects of a special cult. In the cave of Birseck near Arlesheim, Switzerland, F. Sarasin found a whole cache of painted Azilian pebbles, all of which had been deliberately crushed or broken. We think he is not mistaken in attributing this to the work of an enemy, seeking by the destruction of these "holy ancestor stones" to deprive some tribe of the protection and help of their ancestors.

If, however, these painted pebbles really were embodiments of a belief in manism, then the contemporary and closely related rock paintings must also stand for an ancestral cult, and can have nothing in common with the earlier notions of magic that belong to the Palæolithic time (pp. 260-264).



*Group 1*

Localities: *a, b, c, e*, Jimena (G.M.\*); *d*, Covatillas (H.B.); painted pebble from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Standing figures, both male and female; *a* and *b* still quite realistic, with headdress, probably adorned with feathers, and arms akimbo. The Mas d'Azil design has retained the head, torso, and arms, but the legs are not indicated.

*Group 2*

Localities: *a, d*, Jimena (G.M.); *b*, Arabí (J.C.); *c*, Torre de la Peña (J.C.); *e*, Covatillas (H.B.); painted pebble from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Standing figures, both male and female; *a* and *c* with headdress, *b* with a "hat" and indications of the eyes. The discs shown halfway down the arm of the much simplified figure *e* seem to indicate elbow ornaments such as are unmistakably shown in figure *a* of Group 4, and in figure *b* of Group 8, and are still more directly reminiscent of the Palaeolithic designs at Alpera and Cogul. The Mas d'Azil pebble shows the torso, arms, and elbow ornaments, but omits the head.

*Group 3*

Localities: *a, b*, Azogue (J.C.); *c*, Ciaque (J.C.); *d*, Cueva Ahumada (J.C.); painted pebble from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Female figures with kirtle (compare Alpera, Cogul, and also figure *a* of Group 4). The Mas d'Azil pebble shows torso, arms, and kirtle, but no head.

*Group 4*

Localities: *a*, Cueva Ahumada (J.C.); *b*, Cueva de los Piruétanos (J.C.); *c*, Tabla de Poehico (J.C.); *d*, Azogue (J.C.); *e*, Cueva Negra (Bosque) (J.C.); painted pebble from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Female figures; *a* with eyes, dress, and arm ornament; *b* much conventionalized but the eyes still indicated. The Mas d'Azil pebble shows torso, arms, and kirtle.

*Group 5*

Localities: *a*, Barranco de la Cueva (J.C.); *b, d*, Ciaque (J.C.); *c, e*, Cueva de los Piruétanos (J.C.); painted pebble from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Human figures: *a* shows the digits of hand and foot; *c*, a woman with four children. The Mas d'Azil pebble shows torso and arms exceedingly conventionalized, being reduced to the form of a cross.

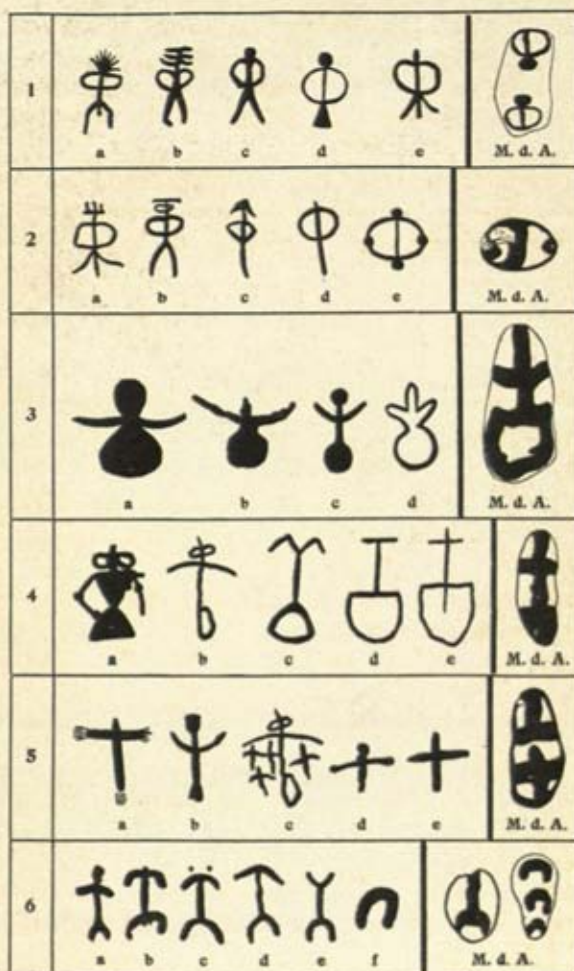
*Group 6*

Localities: *a, c*, Prado de Reches (J.C.); *b, f*, Barranco de la Cueva (J.C.); *c, d*, Ranchiles (J.C.); two painted pebbles from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Female figures; *a* with head still discernable, *b* with sexual characters emphasized, *c* with eyes separately indicated. Of the Mas d'Azil pebbles, one shows torso and legs, the other only the legs.

\* G.M.=after Gómez Moreno  
H.B.=after Henri Breuil  
E.P.=after Edouard Piette

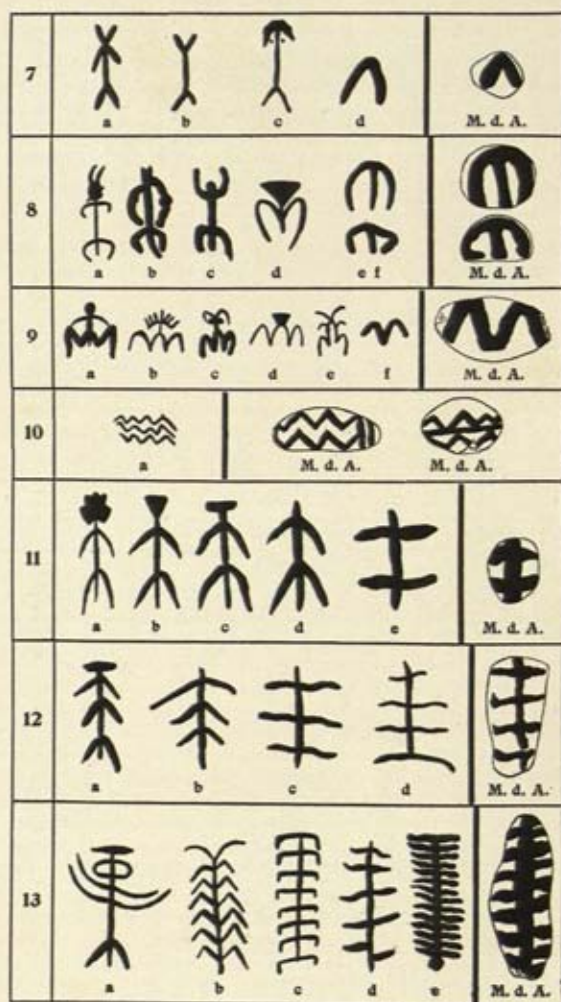
J.C.=after Juan Cabré  
H.O.=after Hugo Obermaier  
M.G.=after M. Góngora



# PLATE XXIA

Spanish petroglyphs—representing human figures more or less conventionalized—compared with similar designs from the painted pebbles of Mas d'Azil.





# PLATE XXIB

Spanish petroglyphs—representing human figures more or less conventionalized—compared with similar designs from the painted pebbles of Mas d’Azil.

*Group 7*

Localities: *a*, *d*, Barranco de la Cueva (J.C.); *b*, Tabla de Pochico (J.C.); *c*, Torre de la Peña (J.C.); painted pebble from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Female figures much conventionalized; *c* with eyes below the arms (!). The Mas d'Azil design shows only the legs.

*Group 8*

Localities: *a*, La Golondrina (H.B.); *b*, *f*, Azogue (J.C.); *c*, Sierra de Harana (H.O.); *d*, Cueva de los Letreros (M.G.); *e*, Cimbarillo de María Antonia (J.C.); two painted pebbles from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Male figures; *a* is still quite realistic, with head (masked) and penis comparatively well proportioned. The latter is, as a rule, extremely exaggerated in size in the more conventionalized designs. In *d* head, legs, and penis are shown. The Mas d'Azil design shows legs and penis.

*Group 9*

Localities: *a*, Piedra Escrita (H.B.); *b*, *c*, *d*, *e*, Piedra Escrita (M.G.); *f*, Cimbarillo de María Antonia (J.C.); painted pebble from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Seated figures, male and female (?); *a* is still very realistic; *b* and *c* show the head with headdress, torso, and legs. The Mas d'Azil pebble shows the legs in a crouching position.

*Group 10*

Localities: *a*, Arabí (J.C.); two painted pebbles from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

The same as Group 9, but with a series of seated figures. The same is true of the Mas d'Azil pebbles.

*Group 11*

Localities: *a*, Fuente de los Molinos (H.B.); *b*, *c*, Fuencaliente (M.G.); *d*, Vélez Blanco (H.B.); *e*, Barranco de la Cueva (J.C.); painted pebble from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Standing male figures; *a* shows headdress, torso, arms, legs, and penis. The Mas d'Azil design shows torso with arms, legs, and penis.

*Group 12*

Localities: *a*, Batuecas (H.B.); *b*, Barranco de la Cueva (J.C.); *c*, Cueva de la Paloma (J.C.); *d*, Cueva Ahumada (J.C.); painted pebble from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Standing male figures; *a* shows head, torso, arms, girdle, legs, and penis (compare Cogul, Plate XII). The Mas d'Azil pebble shows a purely geometrically conventionalized design of the same figure.

*Group 13*

Localities: *a*, Arabí (J.C.); *b*, Fuente de los Molinos (H.B.); *c*, Batuecas (H.B.); *d*, Cueva de la Paloma (H.B.); *e*, Barranco de la Cueva (J.C.); painted pebble from Mas d'Azil (E.P.).

Standing figures; *a* shows the head with both eyes, arms, girdle, legs, and penis. The Mas d'Azil pebble shows a purely conventional design, possibly representing several persons (?).



It must be considered as beyond doubt that a large part of the rock paintings of Spain, on account of their close similarity to the Azilian painted pebbles, belong to the Epipalæolithic. It is also equally certain that these geometrically conventionalized rock paintings persisted throughout the entire Neolithic and into the Age of Copper chiefly in their final Capsian forms, and only occasionally in more recent designs, among which the most numerous are "motifs" from dolmens and idols, pictures of wagons, and similar designs. This is established by numerous data, among which it is sufficient here to cite one typical example.

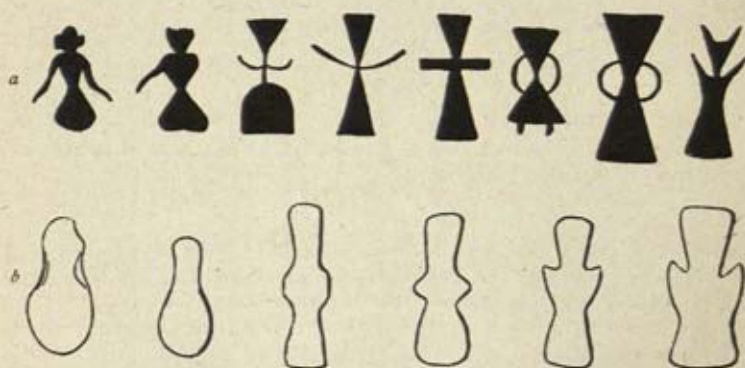


Fig. 140. *a* Petroglyphs, possibly representing female idols, from southern Spain. After H. Breuil. *b* Neolithic stone idols from Almería. After L. Siret.

It is long known that various designs of "female figures" in the rock paintings of Almería are repeated in the designs of certain flat stone idols which belong to the Late Neolithic (Figure 140). Certain animal designs from the rocks of Andalusia reappear on clay vessels of the Copper Age, as, for instance, on the inside of the bowl from Las Carolinas near Madrid, while the outside bears the characteristic decoration of "Ciempozuelos" type (Figure 141). No less enlightening is the ensemble of rock paintings at Peña Tú near Llanes, Asturias, discovered by Count de la Vega del Sella. Here, partly engraved and partly painted in red, is a great idol of the familiar type of the so-called "Menhir"

figures; near it is the picture of a copper poignard, and also a number of very simply conventionalized human figures, quite similar to that shown as *d*, Group 11, in Plate XXI.

It is hard to say how much this late art of the Age of Copper retained of the psychologic attitude of the Epipalæolithic, or whether, perhaps, it stood for more advanced religious concepts. But in any case it served, in some measure at least, the purpose of a cult of ancestors and of the dead.

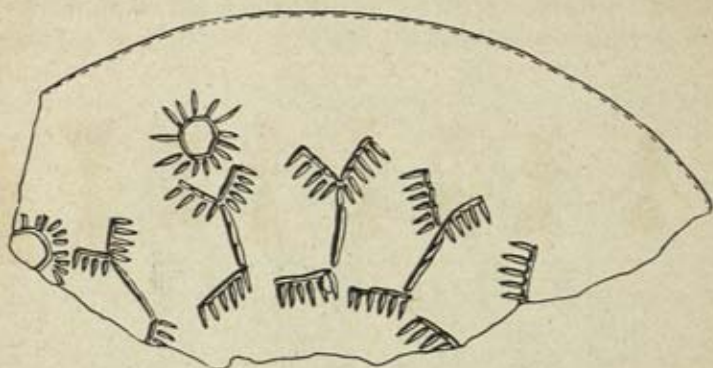


Fig. 141. Design of conventionalized stags and suns, engraved on the inside of a clay bowl belonging to the Age of Copper, from Las Carolinas, Madrid.

*Three-fourths actual size.*

We do not believe, however, that these symbols ever acquired the import and significance of a primitive system of writing. Even though they do actually show a certain similarity to the primitive hieratic characters of Egypt, Cyprus, and Crete, this may be merely an accidental superficial resemblance, and does not necessarily imply any organic relation between them. It is worth notice that similar geometrically conventionalized designs appear occasionally on clay vessels of central and eastern Europe belonging to the Age of Copper. In any case these conventionalizations have absolutely no connection with the rock paintings of Spain, but are of different and independent origin, the source of which—in all probability—should be sought in the Balkans in the region of the lower Danube. Finally, it may be noted that



conventionalized designs of men and animals are also known on the pottery of Egypt and Persia belonging to the Age of Copper, and these also represent regions of independent artistic development which are of relatively recent age.

The Tardenoisian culture takes its name from the station of Fère-en-Tardenois, Aisne, France, and is characterized by extremely small and fine flint implements. These include many disc-shaped scrapers, quadrilateral scrapers, and, above all, numerous types of "geometric microliths"—minute types, rhomboid, trapezoid, or triangular in form, or



Fig. 142. Geometric microliths of Tardenoisian type from France.

After G. and A. de Mortillet.

*Two-thirds actual size.*

sometimes shaped like the segment of a circle (Figure 142). In France this industry is found only at sites in the open, and up to the present time neither animal remains nor bone implements have been found associated with it.

The inventory of geometric microliths of flint belonging to the French Tardenoisian agrees essentially with that of the final Capsian of Spain—previously described—and could not possibly be the result of a further local development from the Magdalenian of France, but, on the contrary, must be regarded as directly derived from the final Capsian of the Iberian Peninsula. The earliest phases of the French Tardenoisian are synchronous with this Epipalæolithic Capsian, and since the latter in northern Spain is known to have incorporated elements from the contemporary Azilian, it is therefore not surprising to find that in France also, and in the adjoining regions to the north and east, there fre-

quently appears a hybrid industry which may best be designated as "Azilio-Tardenoisian" (Figure 147). From this earlier Tardenoisian are developed the more recent regional phases leading into the Neolithic, which itself shows survivals in the form of large geometric flint implements reminiscent of the Tardenoisian types (Figure 135, No. 7).

The pure Tardenoisian, or Azilio-Tardenoisian with the latter element predominant, in other parts of western Europe besides France is found quite abundantly in Belgium, as at Remouchamp, Zonhoven, etc., and in Great Britain, including Scotland and Ireland (Figure 135, Nos. 4, 5, 6).

These industries are also of frequent occurrence in central Europe. Besides the discovery site of Istein, Baden, especial importance attaches to the cave of Ofnet near Nördlingen, Bavaria. In 1907 and 1908 deposits were discovered here by R. R. Schmidt and strata belonging to the Aurignacian, Solutrean, and Magdalenian cultures. In the latter level and covered by Neolithic deposits, he excavated two great circular depressions which were filled with a thick layer of ocher. The larger was thirty inches in diameter and contained twenty-seven human skulls (Figure 143). The other was eighteen inches in diameter and contained six skulls.

All the skulls were placed facing westward, and with each was its lower jaw and one or more of the cervical (neck) vertebrae. Some of these vertebrae bore evident marks of cutting, showing that after death the head had been separated from the trunk. The sepulture of these heads did not take place all at the same time, but successively and by degrees, as is shown by the fact that the skulls at the center of the circle are all crushed or distorted while those near the edge of the circle are intact.

There were nine women's skulls, with ornaments for head and neck which consisted chiefly of shells and the canine teeth of stags, perforated. There were also twenty skulls of children and young persons less richly dowered with ornaments, and four men's skulls entirely without them. The stratigraphy and the nature of some of the geometric microliths indicate that these remarkable sepultures are of Azilio-Tardenoisian age. Among the skulls A. Schliz was



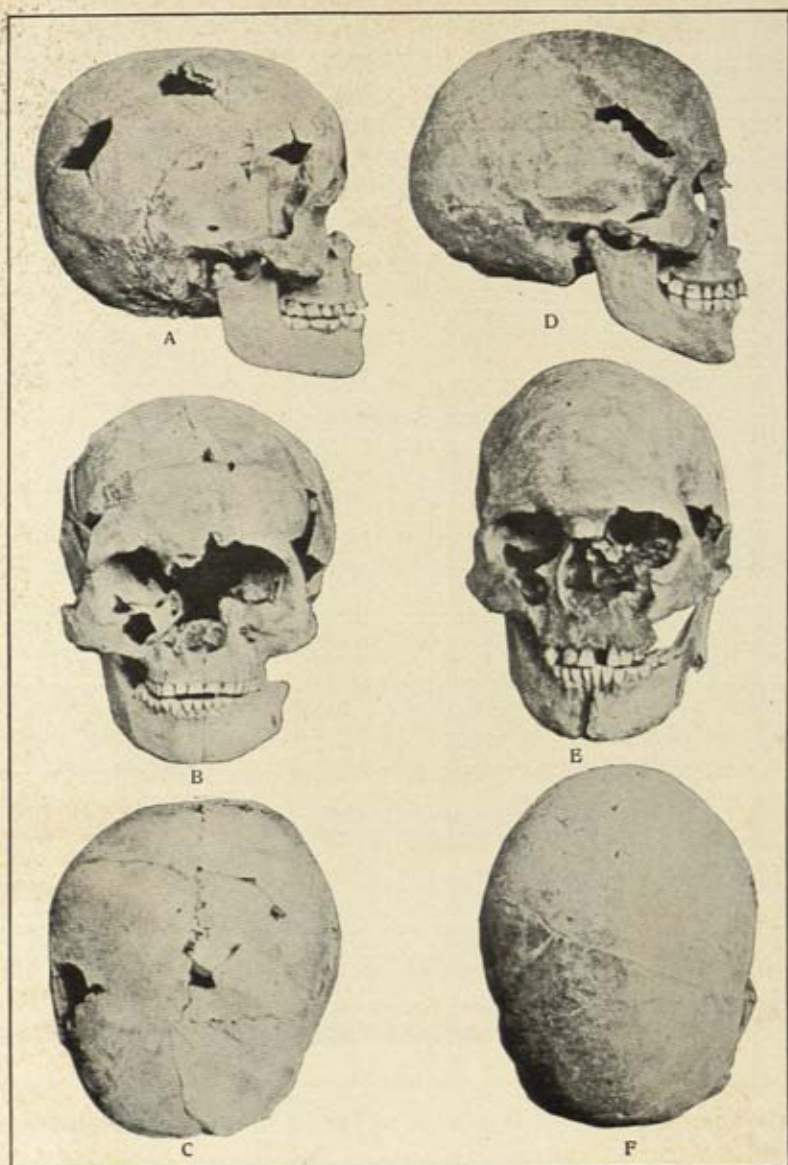
able to distinguish both dolichocephalic and brachycephalic types, together with a number of forms intermediate between the two (Plate XXII).

An interesting supplement to the discoveries made at Ofnet was supplied by cultural deposits found in the small cave known as the "Hexenküche" (Witches' Kitchen),



Fig. 143. The great skull sepulture at the cave of Ofnet, Bavaria.  
After R. R. Schmidt.

which is also in the neighborhood of Nördlingen, on the southern side of the Kaufertsberg close to Lierheim. Here, in 1913, F. Birkner discovered both Magdalenian and Tardenoisian deposits—the latter characterized by typical microliths, small round scrapers, and small gravers and points. In unmistakable contact with this layer was a single skull sepulture. Unfortunately, there were no accompanying mortuary offerings; but close to the back of the skull, close to the foramen magnum, were the first and second neck vertebrae. The skull is mesocephalic, and in its other measurements is in close agreement with the two dolichocephalic male skulls from the Ofnet Cave. The face is narrow, the nose of medium width, and the orbits long and narrow.



## PLATE XXII

Skulls of Azilio-Tardenoisian age from the cave of Ofnet in Bavaria.  
 After F. Birkner. A, B, C—Brachycephalic type. D, E, F—Dolichocephalic type.





It is evident, therefore, that in these localities a cult of skulls was practiced. Similar practices in Palæolithic times have been previously described (pp. 136, 137, Chapter IV), and numerous analogous cases are afforded by modern burial rites among primitive peoples. Thus, for instance, F. Sarasin has drawn attention to the extraordinary "skull



Fig. 144. Altar of skulls in New Caledonia. After F. Sarasin.

altars" of New Caledonia (Figure 144), which are placed in sheltered clefts in the rock or in caves, and consist chiefly of the skulls of chiefs, medicine men, and other important persons, laid close together. Hither the folk repair to implore succor from the spirits of their forefathers, who are held in high honor and believed to have a mighty influence for weal or woe on the whole tribe.

Other Tardenoisian sites are found in northern Bavaria, as, for example, in the cave of Hohlefels near Happurg, and in the neighborhood of Lichtenfels on the Main, as well as at various localities in northern Prussia.

In northern Europe—that is to say, along the coast of northern Germany, in Denmark, southern Sweden, and the



Baltic Provinces—the corresponding culture is that of the Maglemose phase, belonging to the Ancyclus Period, briefly described on p. 362.

The name Azilian is derived from the tunnel-shaped cave of Mas d'Azil, Ariège, France, which has been formed by the torrent Arise wearing through a hill of limestone. The cave contains a number of Palæolithic deposits, but we are interested only in those on the left bank of the stream close to the entrance of the tunnel. Here, in 1887, E. Piette discovered the existence of cultural deposits intermediate between the Magdalenian and the Neolithic. These deposits supplied the first opportunity to study the Azilian culture effectively and from abundant industrial material.

The stratigraphic succession is as follows:

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| <i>i</i> Recent detritus—Roman Epoch—Age of Iron  | 20– 50 cm. |
| <i>h</i> Age of Bronze and typical Neolithic  | 30–120 cm. |
| <i>g</i> Earliest Neolithic (termed by Piette the “Arisian”)<br>with stone implements partly polished and re-<br>mains of pottery | 10– 60 cm. |
| <i>f</i> Azilian deposits   | 15– 50 cm. |
| <i>e</i> Clay deposited by floods (in pools and back eddies<br>as in layer <i>c</i> )   | 125 cm.    |
| <i>d</i> Black deposit with Late Magdalenian industry   | 30 cm.     |
| <i>c</i> Muddy clay, a flood deposit of the Arise   | 150 cm.    |
| <i>b</i> Black deposit with Middle Magdalenian industry   | 85 cm.     |
| <i>a</i> Sandy earth with traces of hearth fires  | 145 cm.    |

The Azilian deposit (*f*) consisted of a reddish clay containing abundant ashes and regular hearths. The fauna comprised only recent species, without any trace of the extinct species of Palæolithic times. Most abundant were the stag and wild boar, while of less frequent occurrence were roe deer, bear, badger, wildcat, and beaver.

Great surprise was occasioned by the announcement that a number of cultivated plants were known during Azilian times. This statement was based upon the fact that Piette had indeed come upon numerous fruits of the blackthorn, hazel, chestnut, cherry, plum, and walnut, and even grains of the common wheat, which was held to prove that even at this early time man had cultivated plants. According to

Piette, the pits had been cracked by man in order to get the kernels. Nevertheless, and in agreement with other investigators, we cannot admit these conclusions, for even at the present time the cave of Mas d'Azil is infested by rats which make their burrows in the earth and hide their stores there. It therefore seems more probable that the pits and nuts are of more recent introduction, a view confirmed by the fact that they show no traces of being split by flints, but do present clear indications of gnawing.

The stone implements consist partly of large forms evolved from Magdalenian types, and partly of very small tools—among them round or triangular scrapers and, occasionally, geometric types. The variety of worked bone implements is very limited, but among them we note a new type of harpoon, very broad and flat, made of stag horn. In general, these harpoons are very roughly made. They may have either a single or a double row of barbs, and in the center of the base there is almost always a perforation, either round or oval in shape (Figure 145, *a, b*).

A most extraordinary and unlooked-for discovery at this site was that of the "painted pebbles" which Piette collected in large quantities. They consist of pebbles from the neighboring stream, more or less rounded and painted in light or dark red of varying shades, the pigment used being ocher (oxide of iron). Engraved designs on these pebbles are of very rare occurrence. According to Piette, the extraordinary designs in color signify (some of them) numbers, as, for instance, the lines, dots, and discs; and perhaps others—such as the crosses, saw-edged discs, etc.—may be symbolic signs. Others, again, might be pictographs of natural objects—trees, mosses, serpent-forms, eyes, harpoons, etc.—and, finally, there is a group of the painted pebbles which he believed bore symbols of true alphabetic significance (Plate XXIII).

As we have previously shown (pp. 330-334, Plate XXI), there is now no doubt of the close relation between the symbols on the painted pebbles of Mas d'Azil and the geometrically conventionalized rock paintings of Spain, and from this we conclude that the painted pebbles certainly had



some religious significance, probably related to a cult of ancestors.

Finally, besides the other discoveries made at Mas d'Azil by Piette, we may mention the two human skeletons embedded in the Azilian deposits. As the small bones of these were wanting, he supposed that the bodies had been exposed

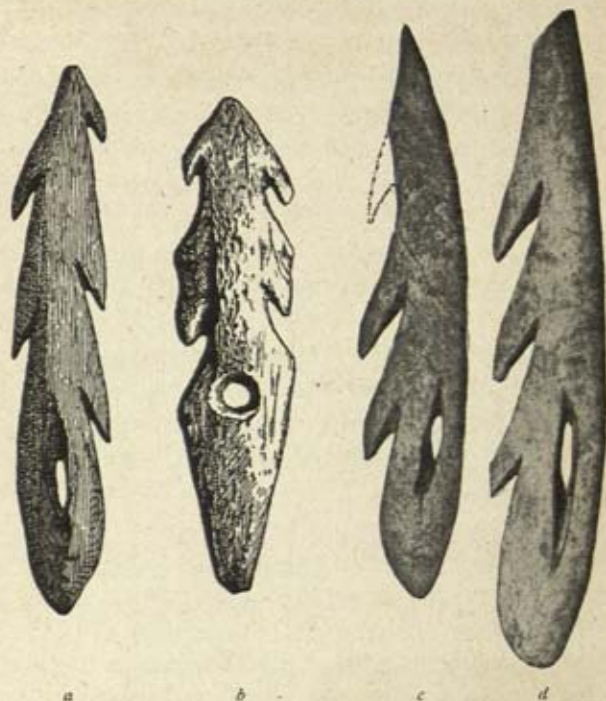


Fig. 145. Azilian harpoons. *a, b* From Mas d'Azil. After E. Piette.  
*c, d* From Valle in northern Spain.

*Three-fourths actual size.*

in the open air until putrefaction set in, that the flesh was then removed from the large bones by means of flint, and that they were finally painted with ocher preparatory to sepulture.

On the northern slope of the Pyrenees—beside the station of Mas d'Azil—there are quite a number of deposits of the same age, among which may be mentioned Laugerie-Haute,



PLATE XXIII

Painted pebbles from the cave of Mas d'Azil, France. After E. Piette.  
*Three-fifths actual size.*





Laugerie-Basse, and La Madeleine, Dordogne; Sordes, Landes; Reilhac, Lot; Lourdes and Lorthet, Hautes-Pyrénées; Massat and Montfort near Saint-Lizier, La Vache, Ariège; and La Tourasse, near Saint-Martory, Haute-Garonne. Taking the latter site as his type, G. de Mortillet named the cultural stage just described the "Tourassian"—a term that has little justification, considering that La Tourasse has one of the scantiest deposits of this cultural stage, and furthermore that the excavations at this site were effected with little exactitude. Moreover, the precedence really belongs to the title given by E. Piette, as he had referred to the "transitional deposits" of Mas d'Azil before the discovery at La Tourasse was established.

On reviewing the sum total of Azilian discoveries on the northern slope of the Pyrenees we arrive at the following conclusions: The inventory of flint implements has undergone an extraordinary degeneration. The large implements consist chiefly of simple flakes, flake scrapers, rather coarse keeled scrapers, and large graving tools (burins) with lateral point. The smaller implements—both numerous and important—include little flakes with flattened back, others with rounded back, tiny burins with lateral points, and, as the principal form, the small scraper, quadrangular or disc-shaped. Finally, there are the geometric microliths, either triangular or crescent-shaped, but hardly ever trapezoid in form (Figure 146). The form of these microliths leads to the inference that they were mounted in some particular way in hafts of wood or bone.

But degeneration is still more apparent when we consider the implements of bone and horn. No trace remains of the fine needles typical of the Magdalenian industry; the carefully rounded javelin points have also disappeared, together with the elegant harpoons, and other forms. In their place are found a few plainly made awls in which the epiphysis of the bone is often left at the base of the implement while the upper end, after being polished, was finally pointed. Besides these awls, there are also very plain polishers, and harpoons which are generally broad and roughly fashioned. For works of art one seeks in vain, for the cross lines engraved on stone merit no such name, any more than do the



geometrically conventionalized designs on the painted pebbles and on the walls of the cave of Marsoulas, Haute-Garonne. The only adornments seem to consist of pendent ornaments of perforated teeth—especially the canine teeth of the stag—and perforated shells.

If we consider the characteristic Azilian types to be the small round planing tools or scrapers, the painted pebbles, and the flat harpoons, this culture can be traced northward into Great Britain, where similar harpoons have been found in Victoria Cave, near Settle; on the shore at Whilburn, near Newcastle-upon-Tyne; at Inchkeith, Edinburgh; on the banks of the river Dee, near Kirkeudbright; at McArthur's Cave and Druimvargie on the Bay of Oban; and at Caisteall-nan-Gilleann on the Isle of Oronsay. The most recent excavations at Oronsay were made in 1913 by A. H. Bishop, who investigated a "kjökkenmödding" (shell mound) containing remains of seal, otter, stag, and wild boar.<sup>2</sup> No remains of dogs or cattle were found. Nevertheless, it must be noted that remains of dogs have been found at various other Azilian stations in Great Britain. The flat harpoons are numerous, but made almost exclusively of bone, and absolutely no traces of pottery are found. It may be noted that in the so-called "Keiss Brochs" of North Caithness, Scotland, pebbles have been found painted in black. According to H. Breuil they are radically different from the Azilian pebbles and may well belong to the Age of Iron.

The eastern boundary of the distribution of the purely typical Azilian culture seems to be along the western Alps, at the station of Bobache, Drôme, and along the Rhine, where is the Hermit's Cave of Birseck, near Arlesheim in the canton of Basle, Switzerland. Painted pebbles were found at both of these sites (p. 331).

It was long ago suspected that the Azilian culture of France did not originate in the northern borders of the Pyrenees as a natural organic development from the Magdalenian of that region; and the investigations of recent years have so tended to strengthen this view that there is now but little question that the source of this culture was in Spain and limited to the Cantabrian region.

Azilian deposits were found in Vizcaya at the cave of Bal-

zola near Dima; in Santander at a number of sites, almost all with flat harpoons—as, for instance, the caves of Valle, near Gibaja; Rascaño, near Mirones; Morín, near Villaseca; Castillo, near Puente Viesgo; and Camargo and El Pendo, near Santander—and in Asturias at the caves of Balmori and Riera, near Posada, and the Cueva de la Paloma, near Soto de las Regueras. At the cave of Serinyá, Gerona, also, there have been found what would seem in all probability to be traces of the Azilian.

The Azilian deposits at Valle rested on a Magdalenian deposit, and were covered by a very thick stalagmitic layer. They had an average thickness of 50 cm. and contained remains of stag, roe deer, chamois, Pyrenean ibex, horse, wild ox, and wild boar. In the upper half these were accompanied by great numbers of snail shells.<sup>3</sup> Many flint implements were found—flakes and nuclei of Magdalenian form among them—but the chief forms are the small circular planing tools, graving tools with lateral point, small blades with blunted backs either straight or curved, and triangular or crescent-shaped microliths (Figure 135, No. 3). The implements of horn and bone include a whole series of flat harpoons, with either single or double rows of barbs (Figure 145, *c*, *d*), awls—some of them ornamented with simple parallel lines,—and a large polisher of stag horn.

In the course of investigations made in the caves of Riera and Balmori by Count de la Vega del Sella and the present writer, deposits belonging to the close of the Magdalenian were encountered in which microlithic implements predominated, while the thick and round planing tools betrayed an unmistakable tendency to evolve toward the small round or discoid forms, or those of rectangular shape with rounded corners. We therefore feel justified in assigning to this region the evolution of this very important characteristic type of the Epipalæolithic. These deposits show the gradual infiltration of the industry of the final Capsian, so that its minute geometric flints are associated with survivals of Magdalenian forms, thus resulting in that curious intermixture of types characterizing the inventory of Azilian stone implements (Figure 146).

As to the industry in horn and bone, the chief characteris-



tie form, the flat harpoon, must certainly be derived from the "Cantabrian" harpoon as the only earlier type which also has a perforated base (Figures 68, 75), the perforation being made by the Azilian artisans in the center of the base. It may be noted that two forms of this implement, which was presumably used for fishing, are found—one with a

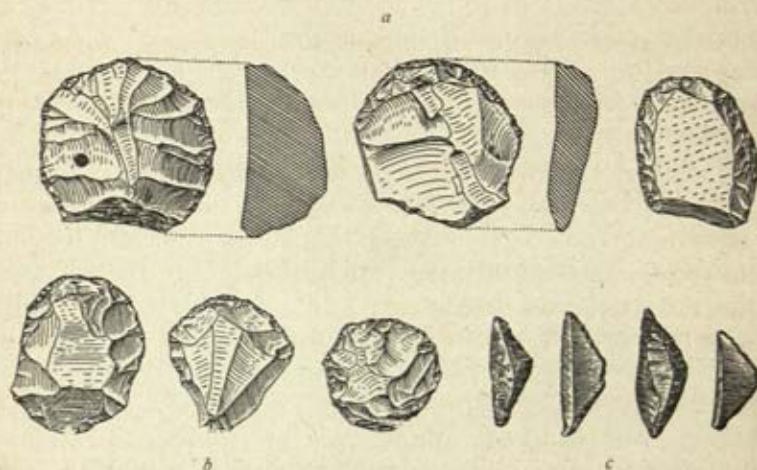


Fig. 146. Tiny stone implements (microliths) of Cantabrian Azilian type. *a, b* Rounded or polyhedral planing tools. *c* Geometric forms.

*Actual size.*

single row of large barbs and a coarse oval perforation, the other with two rows of barbs and a round perforation—but there is as yet no evidence to show which of these forms is the older. Aside from these, there are only the ordinary awls, piercers, and polishers.

Painted pebbles are of very rare occurrence in Spain, as the damp rainy climate of the Cantabrian region is most unfavorable to their preservation. However, in 1917, at the entrance to the cave of Riera, at least one such pebble was found bearing genuine Azilian symbols which were still quite recognizable—thanks to a protecting film of stalagmitic deposit. Nevertheless, there can be no question as to the Spanish origin of these painted pebbles, in view of the geo-

metrically conventionalized human forms found on the pebbles and evidently derived from similar designs on the Spanish petroglyphs (p. 330, and Plate XXI).

In the light of our present knowledge the Azilian culture of the Cantabrian region may be subdivided into two phases, as follows:

*Early Azilian.*

Numerous small round planing tools, and occasionally some that are thick or bullet-shaped.

Many microliths, most with blunted back, and rarely of any regular geometric form.

A few bone implements of Magdalenian aspect.

Flat harpoons.

*Late Azilian.*

Numerous round planing tools and microliths.

Numerous small geometric forms.

Degenerate, coarsely worked bone implements.

Flat harpoons.

Painted pebbles.

The fauna of the Azilian stations of Spain is modern, consisting exclusively of existing species. The stag occurs most commonly, and the chamois, Pyrenean ibex, horse, and wild ox are of frequent occurrence. More rarely, remains of roe deer, wolf, lynx, and wildcat are found. Human remains of certain age are wanting.

The mollusc fauna found in Asturias includes shells of periwinkles and limpets, the commonest forms, both of which, however, are considerably smaller than their predecessors in the Magdalenian deposits (p. 350). The snail (*Helix nemoralis*) is not of frequent occurrence and seems not to have served for food.

Our conclusions in regard to the various industries of the Epipalæolithic may be summed up as follows:

As the earliest phase we recognize the final Capsian of Spain, which pervaded the Iberian Peninsula.

To the northwest in Cantabria this culture encountered the Azilian industry, which had been locally developed from the degenerating Magdalenian, and the result was the blend-



ing of these two elements—unsymmetrical microliths intermixed with the tiny geometric forms, and designs from the petroglyphs transferred to the Azilian painted pebbles.

From Spain France derived both the final Capsian (Capsio-Tardenoisian) and the Azilian, which resulted in the frequent occurrence of that intermixture of industries known as the "Azilio-Tardenoisian" (Figure 147).

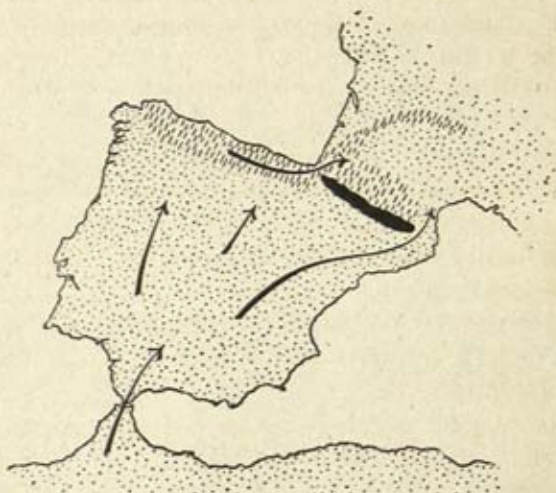


Fig. 147. Migration routes of the Capsio-Tardenoisian and Azilian industries—the former indicated by dots, the latter by dashes.

From France this Azilio-Tardenoisian culture spread eastward and northward. In central Europe and in the cultural phase of Maglemose, however, the Tardenoisian element with its geometric types is more pronounced than the Azilian, represented chiefly by the small round scrapers. In the British Isles, on the contrary, a fairly pure Azilian industry is found, characterized by the occurrence of flat harpoons.

The Late Tardenoisian of western Europe, which is found in contact with the Neolithic, lies outside the scope of this chapter; but it may be remarked in passing that "geometric types"—although of larger size—do occur sporadically, even down to the Age of Copper.

The true Neolithic of Europe—with the arts of agriculture, domestication of animals, pottery, and the polishing of stone as its distinctive hallmarks—can be traced back to various earlier and later cultural phases, both in western Asia and northern Africa. The chief routes of migration by which these elements reached Europe seem to have been through eastern Russia, the Danube Valley, and Spain.

For Spain alone we have some assurance that the transition to the true Neolithic was accomplished in comparative peace and as the result of a natural evolution, and the new African cultural elements introduced and adopted without any stormy upheaval. This is indicated by the geometrically conventionalized designs of the petroglyphs which continue to occur throughout the Neolithic and on into the Age of Copper, being for the most part of unaltered "Azilian" style, and only occasionally varied by the introduction of more recent designs, consisting chiefly of "dolmen" patterns. This indicates a peaceful continuance of the same—or of very nearly related—religious beliefs, and therefore of the same inhabitants.

In this respect much is to be hoped from the results of future research, but for the present it must be admitted that our knowledge of Protoneolithic phases in Europe is very limited. The only such phase known in Spain is the Asturian, which—as has been unmistakably demonstrated by stratigraphic succession—is post-Azilian and pre-Neolithic in age. In France there is the somewhat more recent Campignian phase, to which the Kjökkenmödding culture of the north corresponds.

In the Iberian Peninsula the Epipalæolithic Capsio-Tardenoisian seems to have been succeeded by a more recent and further developed Tardenoisian. Nearly contemporary with this is the cultural phase which the present writer has styled the "Asturian," newly discovered through the systematic research of Count de la Vega del Sella.

This Asturian is found most abundantly in the eastern half of the Cantabrian province of Asturias (or Oviedo), in the region between Ribadesella and Unquera, in a great number of caves and rock shelters along the seacoast. Among the most important sites are the caves of Penicual and Colomba



and the "Cuevas del Mar," near Nueva; the caves of Arnero, Leona, Alloru, Fonfría, Trescalabres, Riera, and Balmori, near Posada and not far from Llanes; the cave of Maragoto, near Vidiago; the cave of Arenillas de Buelna, near Pendueles; and the cave of La Franca (or Mazaculos), near Colombres.

Balmori and Riera are of especial importance in regard to the stratigraphic succession, as at these sites the Asturian industry was found *in situ* directly superposed upon the Azilian, and consequently its chronologic position could be determined with certainty.

Besides these sites there are the "Cueva de las Cáscaras," near Ruiloba-Comillas, and Ciriego, a station in the open near the city of Santander in the province of the same name. Much farther eastward is the station of Ilbarritz, not far from Biarritz in the Basses-Pyrénées, France, where the industrial deposit is embedded in subfossilized peat. The intervening region is as yet unexplored.

The deposits of this industrial phase in Asturias consist of notable shell mounds, chiefly composed of top-shells, limpets, and cockles. The first constitutes the characteristic form of this stage, replacing the edible periwinkle, *Littorina litorea*, which is the characteristic form of Solutrean, Magdalenian, and Azilian deposits, but of which no trace is found in the extensive Asturian deposits. Other constituents are the shells of dog-whelks, mussels, oysters, conchs, sea-urchins, and snails. The mussel, it is true, is also found in Palæolithic deposits, but not in such quantity, so that its appearance in large numbers during the Asturian phase indicates a more recent date.<sup>4</sup>

The remains of mammals found embedded in these shell mounds include the stag, roe deer, horse, cattle, wild boar, Pyrenean ibex, chamois, weasel, otter, wolf, wildcat, badger, and hare. The presence of some characteristic Alpine forms is doubtless due to the near vicinity of the Picos de Europa, nearly 9000 feet in height. The cattle may possibly have been domesticated. The comparative proportion in cubic volume of the bones of animals to the shells of molluscs in these deposits is about one to seven.

No human remains that can be assigned beyond doubt to

this cultural phase have yet been found. A lower jaw was discovered at La Franca, but its stratigraphic position is uncertain.

Intermixed with the remains of mammals and molluses are found layers of ashes and charcoal, scorched and fire-marked stones, fragments of red ocher, and artefacts of stone. These last present a very meager inventory of forms, consisting chiefly of nondescript flakes of quartzite, or more rarely of flint, which generally show only the coarse retouch that results from use, and bear not the slightest resemblance to the forms of the Epipalæolithic.

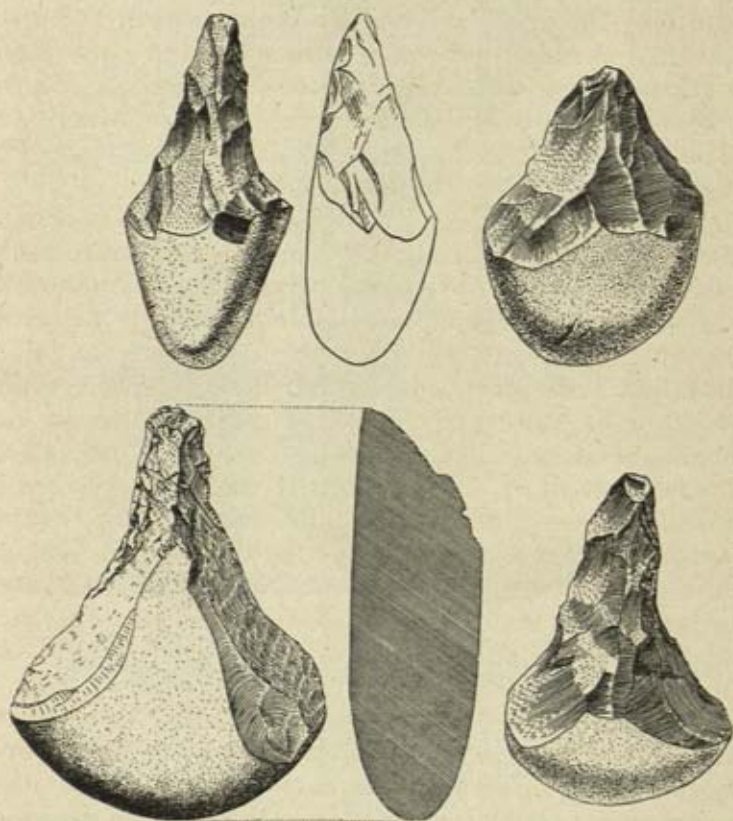


Fig. 148. Stone implements of Asturian type—"chopping tools"—in the collection of the Count de la Vega del Sella.  
*One-third actual size.*



The only characteristic form is the pointed pick (Spanish "pico," French "pic"), which is found everywhere and in considerable numbers. This Asturian pick is formed from a

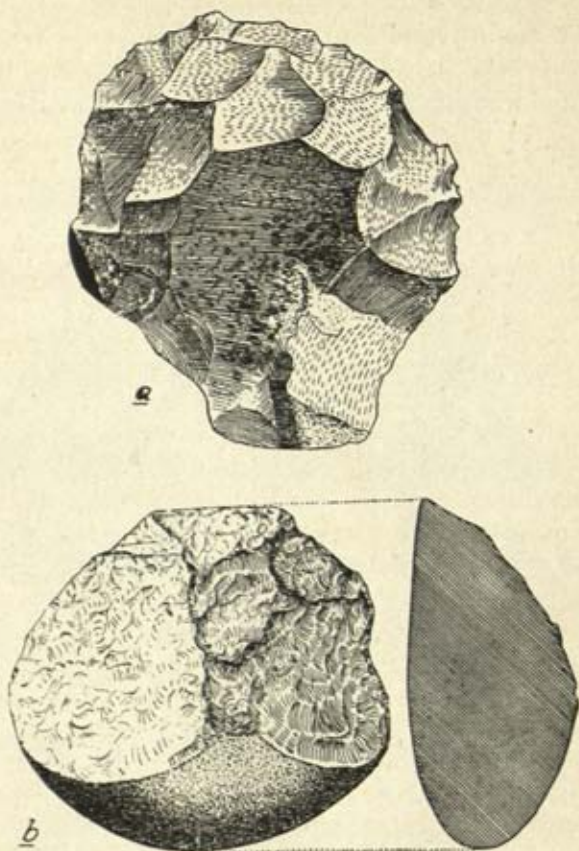


Fig. 149. Stone implements of Asturian type—planing tool (a) and cleaver (b)—in the collection of the Count de la Vega del Sella.

*One-half actual size.*

worn pebble of quartzite—fairly flat and more or less oval—in such manner that a blunt and generally rather long point is developed in the direction of its greatest length by knocking off the side parts—the upper surface only being thus worked. The butt on this side and the entire surface of the

opposite side are left unworked—that is to say, they retain the original shape of the pebble of quartzite (Figure 148). Besides this characteristic form of implement, there is also found a limited number of coarse scrapers and cleavers developed from the same material (Figure 149).

Thus far no implements of worked bone have been found, but in Fonfria and Trescalabres there were discovered two



Fig. 150. An Asturian implement of stag horn, in the collection of the Count de la Vega del Sella.

*Two-thirds actual size.*



large side antlers of the stag, with an oval perforation through the middle—somewhat suggesting in this respect the ceremonial staff (*bâton de commandement*) of Palæolithic times (Figure 150). Pottery was as yet unknown.

The Asturian settlements were generally made close to rock shelters or caves, but rarely penetrated far within the latter. It would rather seem that these people were accus-

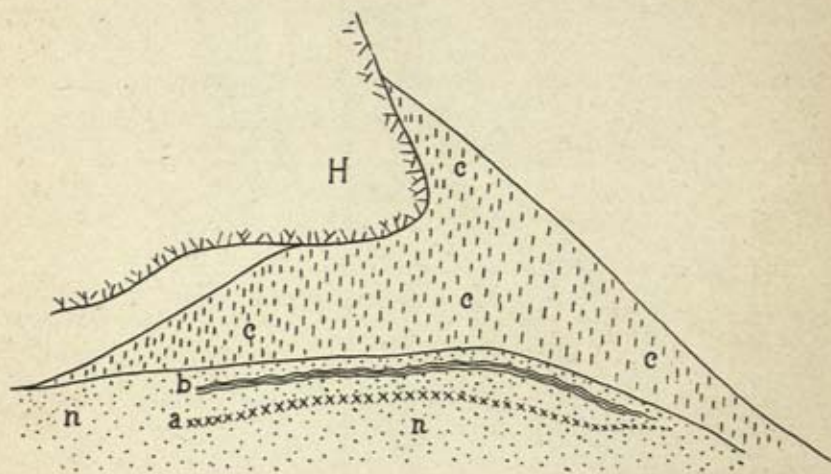


Fig. 151. An Asturian shell mound in its original state. *a* Magdalenian deposits. *b* Azilian deposits. *c* Asturian deposits. *n* Sterile layer. *H* Roof of the cave.

tomed to live in front of, and close to, the caves, where they piled up their kitchen débris in such quantities that not only was the cave entrance obstructed or completely covered, but quite often the mound attained a height of several yards above the cave entrance (Figure 151). Asturian camps in the open are of rare occurrence. The station of Ilbarritz, near Biarritz, lay directly on the shore and sheltered by the cliffs along the coast. The deposit is embedded in peat with Protoneolithic remains superposed. In 1907 the writer, in company with E. Cartailhac and H. Breuil, made a thorough investigation of the site, and studied the abundant assemblage of worked quartzite implements, recognizing them as

belonging to a remarkable and hitherto unknown Protoneolithic industry. In the light of present knowledge, however, the writer is able to assert that this industry is identical with the Asturian of the Cantabrian region.

As intimated above, the shell mounds of the Cantabrian region are often of considerable dimensions, not infrequently attaining a height of from thirty to forty feet, and

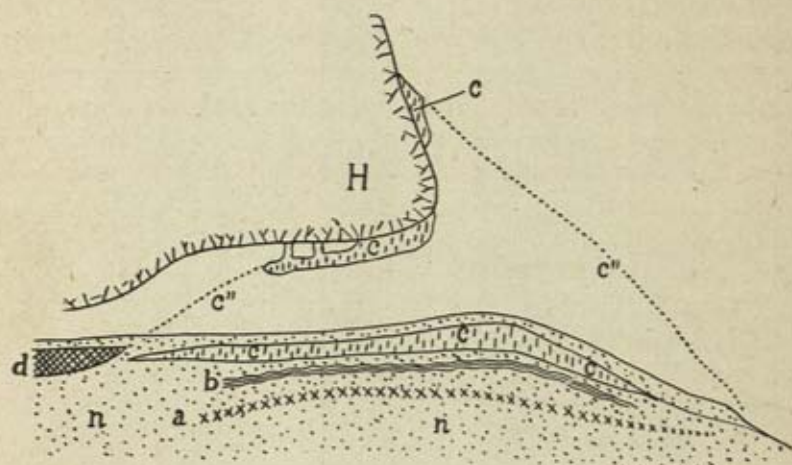


Fig. 152. Asturian remains in their present state (compare Fig. 151). *a* Magdalenian deposits. *b* Azilian deposits. *c* Base of Asturian deposit and upper crust of breccia. *c''* Extent of the original Asturian shell mound. *d* Neolithic deposit. *n* Sterile layers. *H* Roof of the cave.

a length of from one hundred to one hundred and sixty feet. Chronologically they belong to the warm moist phase of the "Optimum Climate" in Spain.

Contrasting with this moist optimum, there followed a more arid phase during which the shell mounds—wherever they came in contact with cliffs or the roofs of caves—were fused by the sinter deposit into a solid breccia, a result which could not have ensued under the present moist climatic conditions. This, in turn, was followed by a new phase with heavy rainfall and extensive erosion—the climate of the present—during which the greater part of the shell



mounds was destroyed, leaving only from three to five feet in thickness of the basal deposits. At nearly all the caverns, however, there are layers of breccia adhering to the roofs of the caves and formed by the sinter deposit on the former surface of the mound; and this makes it possible to determine exactly the original dimensions of these Asturian shell mounds (Figures 152, 153), often extending high above the level of the existing deposit.

The erosive action of the present geologic phase naturally varies according to local conditions. At many sites—as, for instance, at Balmori—this action had already progressed so far by Neolithic times that the cave entrance was clear once more for the new inhabitants to dwell within. At other sites—as, for instance, at Riera—the cave entrance was completely blocked by the Asturian sinter deposit and the loose-lying strata of molluscs beneath it, so that only the outer unsheltered part of the shell mound had been washed away and scattered.

It is interesting to note that evidences of a post-glacial optimum climate, such as have long been known for the north, are now being accumulated for southwestern Europe. As previously remarked, this coincides with the warm moist phase of the Asturian, during which the edible periwinkle, so abundant during Palæolithic times, completely disappears, while the characteristic mollusc of this phase is the top-shell, *Trochus lineatus*, absolutely unknown in Palæolithic and Epipalæolithic times. More recently the coast climate of northern Spain has become somewhat less mild, so that the periwinkle has reappeared although the top-shell still persists.

To this same climatic phase should be assigned the peats and lignites of the western littoral of France—a view which is further confirmed by the occurrence of an Asturian station near Biarritz. This would also indicate the probability that the peats of the so-called “Infraneolithic” in the region of the Seine and the Somme belong to the same period.

Furthermore, the “black earth” (“tierras negras”) of southern Spain and northern Morocco also belongs to this period. Beneath it—in the province of Cadiz—lie deposits of the Early Palæolithic, while Neolithic deposits are found



Fig. 153. The cave of Arnero near Posada, Asturias, showing the right wall of the cave, 1 Original height of the Asturian shell mound, 2 Present floor of the cave, 3 Aurignacian deposits with remains of Merck's rhinoceros (*R. merckii*).



in direct contact with its upper surface. As this apparently recent formation could not have been deposited under the present arid climatic conditions, it bears witness to a previous phase with a more humid climate.<sup>5</sup>

Somewhat more recent than the typical Asturian deposits is a group of shell mounds very similar in general features, but distinguished by a greater abundance of mussel shells, and by the occurrence of remains of the domestic sheep. In these mounds only quartzite pebbles are found,—generally of a rounded oval shape,—in which the only evidence of human handiwork consists of one or two shallow circular indentations worked into one or both sides. With these are found coarse-pointed, unpolished awls of bone. There is no trace of pottery.

In a third, yet more recent, group of sites, shells of mussels and snails are still more abundant. No stone implements have been found as yet, but the deposits contain shards of coarse pottery, scorched only on the inside, showing that the food was cooked by means of heated stones. It is of interest to know that in certain localities in the province of Guipuzcoa—even at the present day—milk is scalded in wooden vessels called “kaiku” by means of a heated stone called “esnekoarriya” or “milk stone” being immersed in it. (Basque Museum of San Sebastián.) As it would be very difficult to extract the living molluscs from the small shells of the periwinkle and top-shell, and as these shells do not seem to have been crushed or roasted, it may therefore be assumed that both in Palæolithic and Epipalæolithic times molluscs were stewed in wooden or leather vessels.

Discovery sites of the last two subdivisions are not sufficiently numerous and thoroughly investigated to afford a complete concept of the degree of cultural progress attained. Nevertheless, it seemed that a reference to them could not well be omitted, as they appear to constitute a phase transitional to the true Neolithic.

This much at least is certain, that the typical Asturian industry presents a Protoneolithic cultural phase, excessively specialized for the needs of tribes dwelling along the seacoast, and that this industry extended at least along the



entire Cantabrian littoral, being practiced by peoples whose chief occupations were fishing and gathering molluscs. In point of time this phase is intermediate between the age of the shell mounds of Portugal, which are Capsio-Tardenoisian, and that of the kjökkenmöddings of northern Europe, with their Early Neolithic pottery; from which it may be concluded that chronologically it cannot be so very far removed from the Campignian culture, which we will now proceed to consider.

In France the Azilio-Tardenoisian is followed by an industry known as the Campignian, which is truly Protoneolithic in character, and introduces, as it were, a new and entirely different world in its cultural aspect. The name is derived from that of the hill of Campigny near Blagny-sur-Bresle, Seine-Inférieure, where in 1897 P. Salmon, G. d'Ault du Mesnil, and L. Capitan explored with great care certain artificial pits or depressions that had served as dwellings for prehistoric man. The faunal remains found here are limited to those of the stag, together with those of horse and ox—a fact which seems to indicate that the Campignian peoples practiced the art of stock raising, while the discovery of crude hand mills and of the impressions of barley seeds on shards of coarse pottery leads to the inference that they also cultivated plants. No implements of polished stone were found. A number of the flint implements bear a strong resemblance to the clumsy forms of the Early Palæolithic—as, for instance, the scrapers, hammer-stones, and planing tools. Others, such as the picks and choppers (tranchets), have finely finished edges and are more or less trapezoid in form (Figure 154). The last-named implements seem to have been hafted, and that in such curious fashion that the handle formed an angle with the head of the implement. The picks and “tranchets” are the characteristic implements of this culture, which is admirably represented in northern and central France, in Belgium, Scandinavia, and northern Germany. It is of rare occurrence in England. In the south it is found in Italy, Asia Minor, and Syria. Quite often in these regions the industry in stone is associated with slant-edged chisels of bone, and hammers made of stag horn.



In brief, it may be asserted that this Campignian constitutes a civilization entirely different from the Tardenoisian—a civilization which must be classed as belonging to the dawn of the Neolithic.

Fenoscandia in northern Europe is a field of study of great importance for post-glacial geology and archæology.

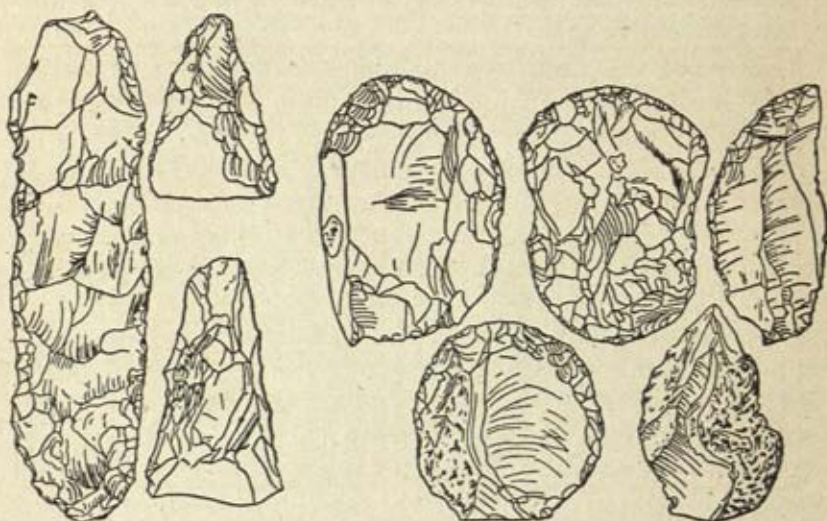


Fig. 154. Typical Campignian implements. After M. Hörnes. *Left:* A "pie" and two "tranchets." *Right:* Scrapers, planing tools, and points.

*Two-fifths actual size.*

In the north the recession of the ice-fields took place—as in the Alps—in several distinct stages (p. 29).

During the fourth glaciation East and West Prussia, Posen, Pomerania, Brandenburg, and Mecklenburg were entirely covered by ice, which also extended over large portions of Silesia, Prussian Saxony, Hanover, and Schleswig-Holstein.

With the "Germaniglaciär" phase there began the gradual dissolution of this great glacial mass, continuing until halted by the Baltic Glacier Stage, which left its mark in northern Germany and gave rise to the huge terminal moraine along the southern coast of the Baltic Sea.

During the "Daniglacial" phase the ice receded from the Baltic moraine, continuing to retreat until arrested by the stage of the South Swedish Glacier, with its moraines extending north of Scania. During both these phases a large part of northern and central Scandinavia was covered by glaciers, although the elevation of the land was much less than at present. To the east Scandinavia was bounded by

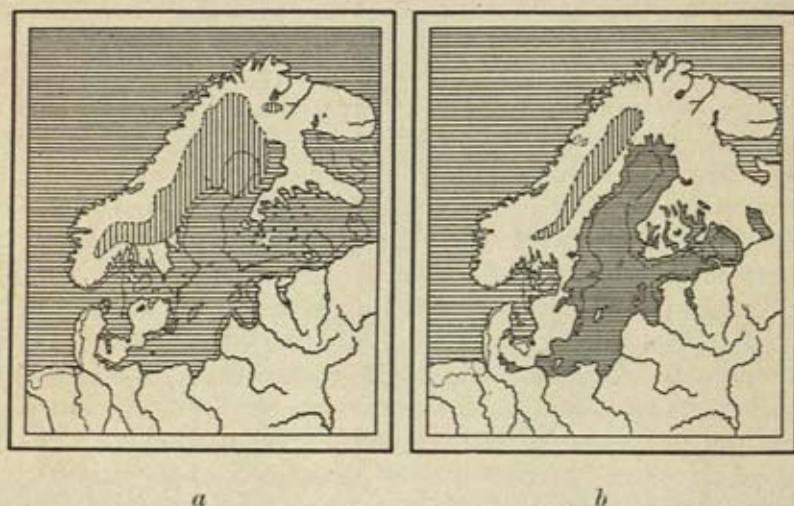


Fig. 155. Scandinavia during the maximum extension of the Yoldia Sea (a), and during the Ancyclus Period (b). After G. de Geer. Mainland shown in white, sea indicated by horizontal lines, land-locked lake by close-ruled horizontal lines, glaciated areas by vertical lines.

the waters of an icy sea which was open to the White Sea and beneath which northeastern Finland lay submerged. To the southwest this sea was open to the North Sea and the region around Stockholm, including lakes Wener and Wetter, was also submerged (Figure 155, a). This glacial sea which washed the shores of the Scandinavian island was characterized by an Arctic fauna such as is now found at Spitzbergen, its principal species being the mollusc known as *Yoldia arctica*, on which account this period is known as the Yoldia Period. Other typical species are *Idothea entho-*



*mon*, *Astarte borealis*, and *Cyprina islandica*. The latter, it will be remembered, during the rigors of the Fourth Glacial Stage is known to have penetrated as far south as the coast of northern Spain (pp. 173, 272).

The flora which characterized the shores of this sea is known as the "Dryas" flora—its principal members being the mountain avens, Arctic willow, and dwarf birch (*Dryas octopetala*, *Salix polaris*, *Betula nana*), which indicate a mean annual temperature of from 8° to 10° C., and are characteristic of the tundra.

The recession of the ice from the moraines of Schonen and across West and East Gottland took place during the "Gotiglacial" phase, and was halted by the stage of the Central Swedish Glacier, the moraines of which are found to the north of the great lakes. Following this came the phase of the "Scandiglacial" (or "Finiglacial"), which lasted up to the end of the glacial period.

During the phases of the "Gotiglacial" and the "Scandiglacial" there occurred a gradual elevation of Scandinavia, which completely shut off the Baltic Sea from all connection with the ocean, both in the north and in the west, thus converting it into a fresh-water lake (Figure 155, *b*). This is known as the "Ancyly Lake," so called on account of the frequent occurrence of *Ancyly fluviatilis*, the river limpet, associated with other characteristic molluscs, such as pond snails and similar forms (*Limnæa ovata*, *Planorbis marginatus*, *Bithynia tentaculata*, *Pisidium amnicum*, and *Neritina fluviatilis*). The Ancyly Period enjoyed a comparatively continental climate with a mean annual temperature of 13° to 14° C. In the forests the predominant tree was the pine (*Pinus silvestris*).

The Maglemose period affords the first convincing evidence of the appearance of man in Denmark, and also in southern Scandinavia, which could then be reached dryshod. To G. F. L. Sarauw, a well-known savant of Copenhagen, belongs the credit of having recognized and definitely classified this earliest northern cultural phase. The type station which he discovered lies in the peat moor of Maglemose near Mullerup, on the west coast of the island of Zealand. The extensive archæologic deposit was from eight

to forty inches in depth and lay beneath a layer of peat, which led the discoverer to suppose that the people of that age lived on rafts in the lake. The charcoal found consisted chiefly of pine, and showed not the slightest trace of oak.

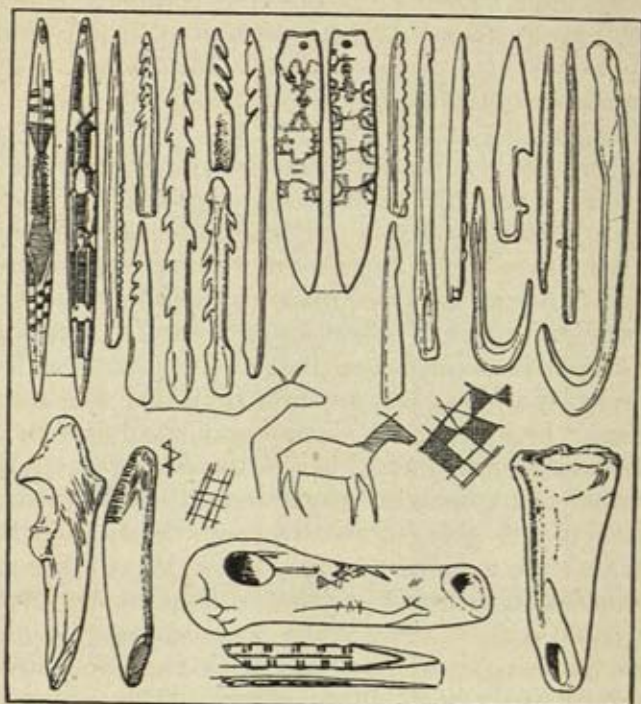


Fig. 156. Maglemose industry—implements of horn or bone, with specimens both of realistic and geometrically conventionalized art. After P. Reinecke. They were discovered in Holstein, Hanover, Brandenburg, Mecklenburg, West Prussia, and Denmark, and include a chisel, harpoons, fishhooks, and axes of bone and moose horn.

*One-sixth actual size.*

The skeletal fragments found included bones of some thirty species of wild animals characteristic of recent times, the most numerous being the wild ox, moose, stag, roe deer, and wild boar. Somewhat rarer are the remains of bear and beaver. Especially noteworthy is the presence of the domes-



ticated dog, at that time the only companion of man, of which remains of two or three individuals were found.<sup>6</sup>

The industrial remains include numerous implements of stone, among them typical geometric microliths of Tardenoisian form, but there are absolutely no implements of polished stone. Pottery is also unknown. On the other hand, there is a magnificent variety of implements of horn and bone, including chisels, polishers, awls, needles, fish-hooks, and long narrow harpoons.

The Maglemose culture, therefore, is a northern phase of the Epipalæolithic or, more precisely speaking, of the Azilio-Tardenoisian (pp. 336, 337), and belongs to the latter half of the Ancyclus Period. Further explorations in Denmark resulted in the discovery and excavation of an important site in the peat moor of Svaerdborg, near Vordingborg in the isle of Zealand, by K. Friis Johansen. Evidences of this culture are also found throughout northern Germany from Hanover to East Prussia, and in the Baltic Provinces, where it is well represented by a site in the marl strata of Kunda in Estonia. Finally, traces of this "Baltic" culture are also found in southern Sweden and in the peat moors of north-eastern England, where Boyd Dawkins has found a number of typical bone harpoons. The industry in stone is perfectly characterized by the presence of the minute Tardenoisian types, and furthermore it already includes some forms which in a measure anticipate those of the subsequent Kjökkenmödding phase. It would seem that implements of horn and bone played a far more important rôle than those of stone, since, in addition to the forms previously mentioned, there were also hammers with a transverse edge, chisels, daggers, and polishers, as well as fish-hooks, ornamental beads, needles, and harpoons, both with single and double rows of barbs. Most of these harpoons are long and narrow like the Magdalenian types, while broad forms resembling the Azilian occur more rarely. Noteworthy also are the slender points of bone with holes placed lengthwise for the insertion of microliths, by means of which the implement could serve as a harpoon.

The artistic taste displayed by these men of Maglemose times is also surprising. Their artefacts bear numerous



linear and geometric designs, such as zigzags, undulating lines, latticed and chequered patterns, and even actual figures, such as their incised sketches of the female roe deer (Figure 156). All these show a striking similarity to Magdalenian work, and it is quite possible that they are indeed reminiscent of a Russo-Baltic Magdalenian culture. Still more extraordinary is the occurrence of designs resembling those typical of Capsio-Tardenoisian art, to which P. Werner first drew attention. Several implements of bone and a few plaques of amber actually show geometrically conventionalized figures of men and animals which correspond perfectly with those found in the rock paintings (petroglyphs) of Spain.

Toward the close of the Ancyclus Period there commenced a new phase of continental depression which, however, was limited to the southern part of the Baltic, while to the north, in Scandinavia, the gradual elevation of land continued. In consequence the Sound, the Kattegat, and the Skager Rack were again submerged and the comparatively warm salt water of the North Sea had free access to the Baltic, bringing with it such marine molluscs as *Littorina litorea* (the edible periwinkle), *Ostrea edulis* (the oyster), *Tapes decussatus*, and *Tapes aureus*.<sup>7</sup>

This new Littorina Period was marked not only by extensive submersion of continental regions, but also by a comparatively rapid and very general amelioration of climate. Nordmann has estimated the mean annual temperature of Denmark during this period at 17° C.—that of the present time being 16° C.—and G. Andersson has calculated that the summer temperature in Sweden was then two and one-half degrees warmer than now. On the other hand, G. Samuelsson has remarked that a rise in the summer temperature of only 1.6° C. would be sufficient to account for the wider distribution at that time of the hazel nut, and of *Trapa* and *Najas marina*, which would thus enjoy a period of growth seventeen days longer. This indubitable climatic optimum of post-glacial time was effective not only throughout the regions bordering on the northern Atlantic, but also in its more southerly temperature regions (p. 355). The cause of this phenomenon is to be sought in changes of di-



rection taking place in the warm ocean currents, a fact which also explains the absence of this maximum warm phase in the inland regions of Europe and North America.

The Littorina Period includes the time occupied by the Protoneolithic culture of the "kjökkenmöddings," during which the oak (*Quercus robur*) became predominant in the peat deposits of Denmark and southern Sweden. These kjökkenmöddings (Danish "Affaldsdynger") are great shell mounds which are found throughout the southern Baltic region, and which in Denmark have been studied with the greatest particularity. The shells are chiefly those of oysters and cockles (*Ostrea edulis*, *Cardium edule*), but mussels (*Mytilus*) and *Tapes* are also of frequent occurrence, as well as periwinkles and dog-whelks (*Littorina litorea*, *Nassa reticulata*). Intermixed with the shells are numerous remains of birds and fishes. The bones of mammals are rarer, and 90 per cent of these belong to the stag, roe deer, and wild boar. There are also remains of seal, bear, lynx, wolf, beaver, and wild ox. Remains of moose are exceedingly rare, and it would seem that the animal was in a way to become extinct in this region. There is no trace of any domestic animal except the dog.

Although the list of molluscs (oysters, periwinkles, etc.) is sufficient to indicate the age as that of the Littorina Period (also known in Denmark as the Tapes Period), further confirmation is afforded by the evidence of charcoal from these deposits, the greater part of which is that of oak wood, while the charcoal of conifers is exceedingly scarce. There is no trace whatever of the beech.

The stone implements found in these shell mounds are always chipped and never polished. Besides great numbers of leaf-shaped points, scrapers, planing tools, and similar forms, there are also the long picks ("pics") and the trapezoidal choppers ("tranchets"), which go to show that the Kjökkenmödding phase is merely an adaptation of the Campignian culture to the requirements of dwellers along the seacoast. Together with these we note the new and important acquisition of pottery in the form of small bowls and deep earthen pots. Among bone implements the harpoons have entirely disappeared, while on the other hand

mallets of stag horn, awls, daggers, needles, and combs (Figure 158) have become more numerous. Evidences of artistic expression are altogether wanting.

Shell mounds similar to those of Denmark are also found in Ireland and in northern France.

Developments in northern Europe subsequent to the Littorina Period include a gradual continental elevation which has continued up to present times, and which considerably diminished the connection between the Baltic and the North Sea. The more ancient marine fauna of the Baltic (the oyster and similar forms) was sensibly decreased, and there ensued a preponderance of molluscs characteristic of brackish water, such as *Limnæa* and *Neritina*. At the same time *Mya arenaria* (the common clam) entered the Baltic from the North Sea, on which account this final phase is known as the Mya Period.

The Neolithic Age—strictly speaking—is defined in Scandinavia by the advent of two new kinds of tree—the red pine (*Picea excelsa*), which came from the east and arrived by way of Finland, and the beech (*Fagus silvatica*), which came from the south through Denmark, where, however, it was entirely unknown during the Kjökkenmödding phase.

The following table presents the chronologic sequence of the various phases in northern Europe which we have just described:



COURSE OF EVOLUTION IN NORTHERN EUROPE SUBSEQUENT TO  
THE LAST GLACIATION

| <i>Geologic Stages</i>                           | <i>Flora and Mollusc Fauna</i>                    | <i>Cultural Stages</i>  |
|--|---|---|
| Recent   | Limnæa-Mya Period<br>Age of Red Pine and<br>Beech | Historic Time<br>Age of Iron<br>Age of Bronze<br>Neolithic  |
| Optimum Climate                                  | Littorina (Tapes) Period<br>Age of the Oak        | Kjökkenmøddings (equiv-<br>alent to Campignian<br>and Asturian)   |
| Close of the last glacial<br>phase (Finiglacial) | Ancylus Period                                    | Maglemose (equivalent to<br>Azilio-Tardenoisian)  |
| Central Swedish Glacier-<br>Halt                 | Age of the Pine                                   |   |
| South Swedish Glacier-<br>Halt                   | Yoldia Period                                     | No trace of human activity<br>(contemporary with the<br>Late Palæolithic cul-<br>tures of western and<br>central Europe — pp.<br>112, 113, 117-123) |
| Baltic Glacier-Halt                              | Age of the <i>Dryas</i> Flora                     |   |
| The last great glaciation                        |   |   |

There have been many attempts at computing at least the duration of post-glacial time in absolute measure; that is to say, in years. Just lately Gerhard de Geer has discovered a method of determining the geochronology of northern Europe during the retreat of the ice, by means of a detailed study of the successive "clay varves" (layers of clay) deposited in the Yoldia Sea. Each annual deposit consists of two layers—the lower, which is thicker and more sandy, corresponding to the summer; while the upper, which is thinner and composed of a darker and uniformly fine clay, corresponds to the winter.

This method was well developed by de Geer and his followers, and investigations thus made in Sweden and Finland were found to agree very well. According to these, the retreat of the ice during Gotiglacial time (that is, from the terminal moraines in central Scania to the great Central Swedish moraines) occupied nearly 3000 years; the formation of the Central Swedish moraines required about 700 years; while the retreat of the ice during Scandiglacial

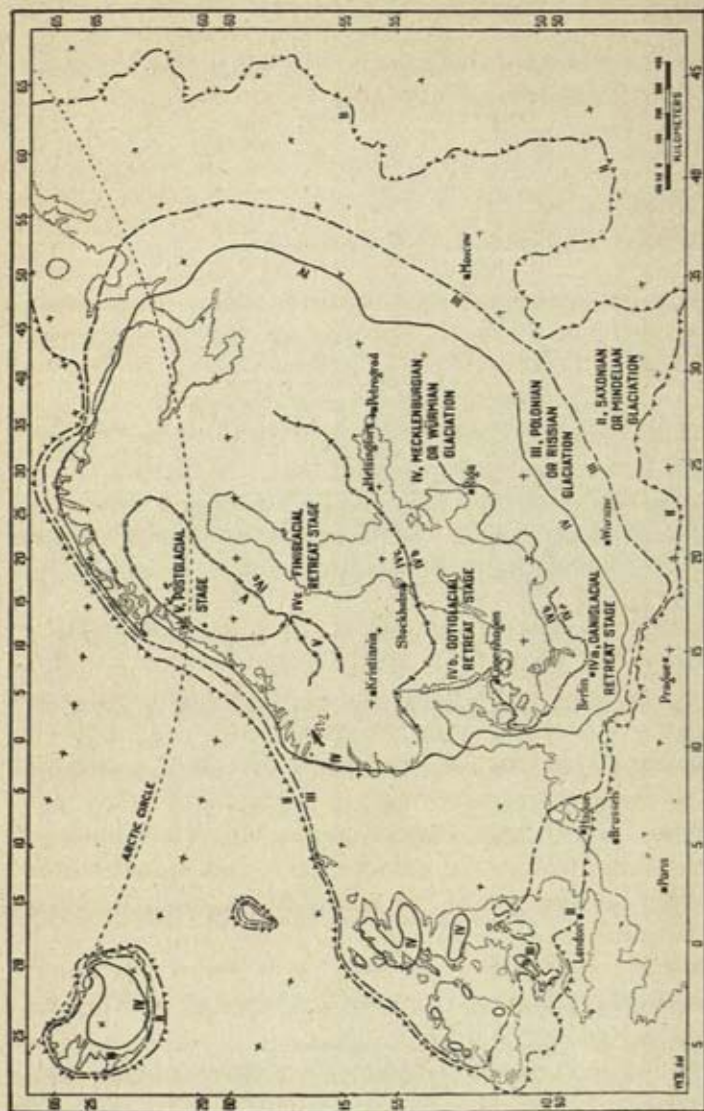


Fig. 157. Lines of the three major glaciations of northern Europe. After Osborn and Reeds (1922).  
 II, III and IV, indicate successive terminal moraines. IV, b, shows the front line of the great Scandinavian glacier when Scania, the Goth country, first became inhabitable, between 12,000 and 10,000 B.C.



(Finiglacial) time took about 2000 years. The time elapsed since the disappearance of the ice at Ragunda, in northern Sweden, to the present time is estimated at about 7000 years.

It is thus possible to obtain the following approximate chronology for Scandinavia:

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Gotiglacial Period                             | 10,400-7400 B.C. |
| Phase of the Central Swedish moraines          | 7400-6700 B.C.   |
| Scandiglacial Period                           | 6700-4700 B.C.   |
| (Disappearance of the Scandinavian ice-fields) |                  |

This makes it possible to determine the Maglemose Period as about 7000-5000 B.C. and the age of the Kjökken-möddings as about 5000-4000 B.C.

The cultural phases which we have considered in this closing chapter belong in part to the last of the dying Palæolithic, and in part to the dawn of Neolithic civilization.

From a geologic standpoint this last belongs entirely to recent times, during which the European continent has undergone no appreciable modifications either in extent, in climate, or in fauna.

From the standpoint of cultural evolution, however, the Neolithic marks the beginning of a new world. The unstable conditions of the life of nomads and hunters are a thing of the past, and have been replaced by the continuous habitation of sedentary tribes whose dwellings are surrounded by cultivated fields and domestic animals. Chipped stone implements have been almost entirely superseded by those of polished stone, and there is an extensive manufacture of pottery which, on account of its fragility, is of little value in the nomadic life.

This Neolithic civilization in Europe lasted from about 6000 B.C. to 2500 B.C., being followed by the Age of Copper and the Age of Bronze (2500-1000 B.C.).

As the reader has doubtless noticed, our account of Fossil Man is confined almost exclusively to discoveries and investigations made within the limited area of Europe, for the reason that in other parts of the world the ancient past of Humanity is as yet unexplored and shrouded in impenetrable obscurity. This much at least has been made clear by

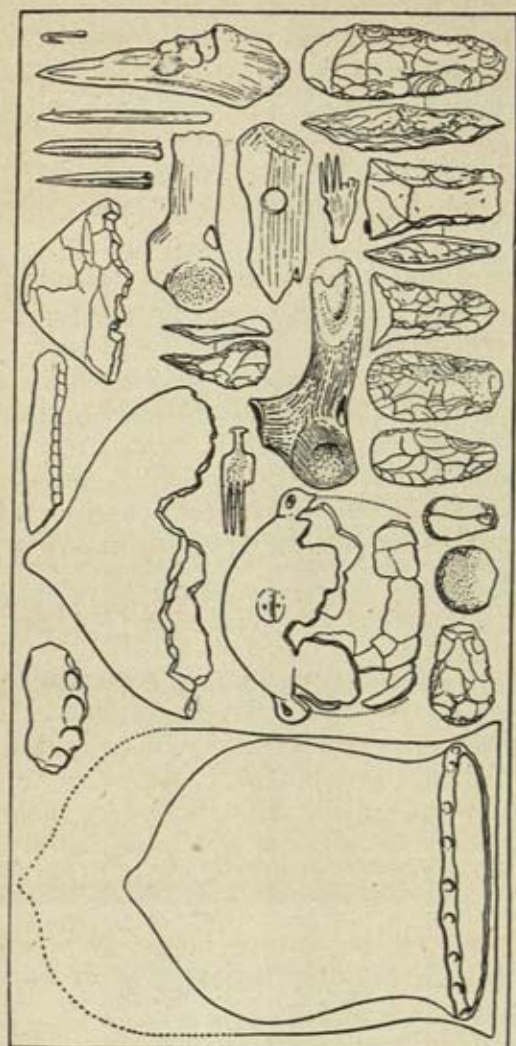


Fig. 158. "Kjökkenmödding" industry—implements found in the shell mounds of Denmark.  
 After P. Reinecke.  
*One-sixth actual size.*



scientific study of prehistoric man—that the human race is like a mighty and ancient tree; that the peoples of the various cultural phases, both early and late, represent only very young and small branches of the same; and that its roots are lost in the depths of far-distant epochs.

It cannot be denied that our knowledge of the earliest beginnings of our race is only fragmentary, but already so much that is new and astonishing has been revealed that the liveliest interest is aroused and an ever increasing number await the most recent developments in our knowledge of Fossil Man.

## APPENDIX

### CHAPTER I

#### NOTES AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Note 1, p. 3.* Bourgeois, Abbé Louis—born 1819, died 1878. His collaborator was the Abbé Delaunay.
- Note 2, p. 8.* Notice that all lists and tables of races, cultural stages, faunas, etc., throughout this work are given not in chronological but in *stratigraphic* order, beginning with the *most recent* at the top and ending with the *oldest* at the bottom.
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### CHAPTER III

#### ORIGINAL TEXT, NOTES, AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

*Note 1, p. 37.* In reviewing the manuscript of Obermaier's *Fossil Man in Spain* the text of the third chapter was found to be so exceedingly technical as to present grave difficulties to readers unfamiliar with scientific faunal nomenclature. It was therefore revised by Professor Henry Fairfield Osborn—the changes made consisting of a rearrangement and abbreviation of the text, with the addition of a few introductory and explanatory paragraphs. The complete translation of the author's text with no alteration or omission is given below.

*Note 2, pp. 39 and 42.* This is the view held by Professor H. F. Osborn. Professor Obermaier assigns Heidelberg man to the Second Interglacial Stage. See pp. 292, 396, 397.

#### FLORA AND FAUNA OF THE GLACIAL EPOCH

*Flora of the Glacial Stages—Arctic-Alpine flora—Loess or steppe flora—Flora of the Interglacial Stages—Late Pleistocene floras—Early Pleistocene floras—Fauna—Division between Pliocene and Pleistocene—Fauna of the Glacial Stages—Tundra fauna—Arctic and Alpine fauna—Steppe fauna—Species indifferent to climate—Fauna of the Interglacial Stages—Molluscs—Mammals, their evolution and distribution—Classification of interglacial faunas in Europe—Early Pleistocene fauna—Middle Pleistocene fauna—Late Pleistocene fauna—Pleistocene fauna of Africa—Pleistocene fauna of Asia—Pleistocene fauna of North America—Pleistocene fauna of South America—Pleistocene fauna of Australia—Extinction of Pleistocene species.*

In view of the geologic conditions in Europe during the different glacial stages (Plate II), it might be expected that the flora then existing in the territory between the great northern ice-sheet and the Alpine glaciation would be Arctic-Alpine in character. In fact, fossil remains of *Salix polaris*, *Betula nana*, *Dryas octopetala*, *Arctostaphylos uvaursi*, and *Polygonum viviparum* were discovered by A. Nathorst at Schwarzenbach in the Canton of Zürich, Switzerland, directly above the clays of the basal moraine. And he also discovered near Deuben, Saxony, evidence that in former times there was a true northern tundra flora along the border of the great

northern ice-field. In the post-glacial tuffs of the Swabian plain near Schussenried there have been found species such as *Hypnum sarmmentosum*, *H. aduncum* var. *grœnlandicum*, and *H. fluitans* var. *tenuissimum*, which at the present time are restricted to districts near seventy degrees north latitude and to the loftiest summits of the Alps. It would be easy to enumerate a list of typical deposits in Germany, the Baltic region, Denmark, and southern Scandinavia—some belonging to the glacial stages, and some to the first post-glacial retreat—their Arctic character being indicated by the presence of mosses, Arctic willows (*Salix retusa*, *S. herbacea*, *S. polaris*), *Betula nana*, and *Dryas octopetala*. But we will mention only that this same boreal flora also occurs repeatedly in England—as, for example, north of London, where Clement Reid has found a typical Arctic flora, including *Salix lapponum*, *Armeria arctica*, and others, in glacial deposits of the Lea Valley. Nevertheless, in those districts where glaciation was less severe, as in Bohemia and the region of the middle Rhine, there were probably some sparse stunted groves of birch, quaking poplar, and Scotch fir.

The tundra flora of those areas strongly affected by the ice indicates the rigorous climate of a glacial stage, with very long winters and very short, cold summers. The beginning and end of each glaciation appears to have been marked by a typical steppe phase, its geologic equivalent being the loess already described.

The fossil flora of the steppes shows a near relationship to that of the tundras, the transition from one to the other being hardly perceptible. As may be seen at the present time in Asia, the winter of the steppes is very severe, with many windstorms, conducing largely to the denudation of their surface. The summer is short, but comparatively warm, and in consequence there is an abundant growth of grass and shrubs. Similar conditions doubtless prevailed in Europe during the formation of the Pleistocene loess, and sparse growths of stunted trees bore witness to their inclemency. In the deposit of the "Mammoth Hunters" at Gobelsburg, Austria, were found pieces of carbonized wood, identified as *Pinus*, embedded in the loess. From a study of these pieces it was concluded that the annual growth of the Pleistocene *Pinus* was but a tenth of that of pines in the same region at the present time.

It must be borne in mind that what has been said of tundra and steppe conditions applies only to central Europe and the northern part of western Europe. Conditions in southern Europe, including the southern slope of the Alps were quite different. On the northern Alpine slopes there was a scanty growth of conifers which extended more than 500 meters above sea level. On the southern borders of



the Alps the present limit of perpetual snow is 3000 meters, while during the Glacial Epoch it stood at 1800 meters. Such conditions would bring the tree line to a height of 900 meters above sea level, so that in these parts long glacial streams might have advanced through a veritable forest region. Still milder conditions prevailed in the Mediterranean zone, strictly speaking.

Far different is the climatic aspect of the interglacial stages. Under the influence of a warm and humid climate the steppe disappeared, retreating farther and farther eastward. The interglacial vegetation was characterized by a deciduous forest flora, as evidenced by a number of deposits. This flora indicates a climate more temperate than the present. At Celle-sous-Moret, Seine-et-Marne, lying above Pleistocene gravels containing remains of *Elephas antiquus*, there is a tuff deposit with fossilized remains of *Ficus carica* (fig), *Buxus sempervirens* (box), *Laurus canariensis* (Canary laurel), and *Cercis siliquastrum* (Judas tree). The presence of these indicates a climate both warm and humid, and a flora with Dalmatian features. The mean annual temperature of the Seine Basin was then from 15° to 16° C., while now it is not over 11° (Munier-Chalmas). The upper levels of this "warm" deposit at Celle-sous-Moret are composed of tuffs with flora indicating a cooler climate associated with an Acheulean industry.

Equally important are the discoveries in the breccia of Hötting, near Innsbrück in the Tyrol. This site is 1200 meters above sea level, on the left bank of the Inn. The breccia lies above basal moraines belonging to the second, or, more probably, to the third glaciation. Above it lies a moraine of the Fourth Glacial Stage.<sup>1</sup> R. von Wettstein has enumerated forty-one species of plants occurring in this deposit. Among them may be mentioned *Rhamnus hættingensis* (a new species of buckthorn related most closely to *Rhamnus latifolia* of the Azores and Canary Islands), *Orobis* sp., *Rhododendrum ponticum* (the Pontic Alpine rose which now grows wild in southwestern Spain, Pontus, and the Caucasus, where the limit of perpetual snow is over 3000 meters above sea level), *Adenostyles schenckii*, *Arbutus unedo* (?), *Buxus sempervirens* (now found in southern and southeastern Europe as well as in the forest zone of Coleida, where their highest limit is 1800 meters below the snow line). None of these species is found at the present time in the neighborhood of Hötting. There are also other species in the breccia which still exist near Hötting, but not above an altitude of 1200

<sup>1</sup> Some authorities (Lepsius, Rothplatz) have held the Hötting breccia to be preglacial; but since the recent researches of O. Ampferer it is no longer possible to entertain any serious question as to the interglacial age of this deposit.



meters. Among these are *Viola odorata*, *Tilia grandifolia*, *Rubus cæsius*, *Cornus sanguinea*, *Ulmus campestris*, and *Salix triandra* (Figure 8). Such a combination of plants indicates that the mean annual temperature at that time was 2° to 3° C. higher than at present, from which it may be inferred that the snow line also was some 400 meters higher. The small glaciers then existing were found only on the loftiest summits of the central district, the Alps being then a forested region, and while the flora of their northern slopes was Baltic in character, that of the southern slopes showed Illyrian features.

In the Late Pleistocene of central Europe an interesting climatic cycle is clearly recognizable, as follows:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| IV. Glacial Stage     | Tundra, in part with<br>stunted Arctic forests                        |
| 3d Interglacial Stage |   |
| Late                  | Loess steppes, with scanty<br>growth of trees                         |
| Middle                | Forests of deciduous trees<br>with climate milder than<br>the present |
| Early                 | Loess steppes, with scanty<br>growth of trees                         |
| III. Glacial Stage    | Tundra, in part with<br>stunted Arctic forests                        |

Previous interglacial stages were apparently equally mild. The deposits at Tegelen in Limburg, Holland, probably belong to the First Interglacial Stage. Here there are found *Abies pectinata*, *Stratiotes websteri*, *Nuphar luteum*, *Vitis vinifera*, *Cornus mas*, and others, associated with remains of *Hippopotamus amphibius*, and *Rhinoceros etruscus* (E. Dubois). To the same First Interglacial Stage must be assigned the lignites which, together with remains of *Elephas meridionalis*, *Rhinoceros etruscus*, and others, are found at Leffe in the Bergamasque Alps, Italy. Above lie clays containing plant remains of nine species, four of which (*Picea seriana*, *P. balsami*, *Vitis neuwirthiana*, *Trapa heeri*) have become extinct, while five (*Corylus avellana*, *Juglans cinerea*, *Æsculus hippocastanum*, *Andromeda polyfolia*, *Viburnum lantana*) still exist (Sordelli). The gray clay of Durfort near the Sauve, Gard, France, is unquestionably of the same age, and contains *Planera*, *Zelkova*, *Parrotia*, *Quercus*, and *Fagus*, together with a few exotic species. The associated fauna consists of *Elephas meridionalis* and *Hippopotamus major* (A. Gaudry).

The fossilized remains of plants and animals found embedded in



the white clay of the Borlezza ravine near Pianico, Italy, apparently belong to the Second Interglacial Stage. There are twenty-five species—Pontic in character—eleven of which are known to have existed already in Tertiary times, but only eight agree with the fossil flora of Hötting. One species, *Rhododendrum sebinense*, differs from *Rhododendrum ponticum*, nor can it be identified with any other species, either fossil or extant. Among the remains of mammals, Forsyth Major has identified *Rhinoceros etruscus*.

As already noted, the Pleistocene Epoch was characterized chiefly by the appearance of a series of glacial stages. There is not the slightest ground for assigning the First Glacial Stage to the Pliocene, as advocated by M. Boule, M. Schlosser, W. Soergel, Boyd Dawkins, and others. On the contrary, the writer is entirely in agreement with E. Haug, E. Koken, A. Penck, and others, who contend that the beginning of the First Glacial Stage coincides with the beginning of the Pleistocene. This view is supported by weighty palæontologic facts. A careful study of the faunas found in deposits belonging to the disputed boundary between Pliocene and Pleistocene shows that the Pliocene genera were gradually disappearing, while new types of Asiatic origin came to constitute the larger portion of the fauna. Among these new genera were *Elephas*, *Equus*, and *Bos*. These new types<sup>2</sup> appeared very suddenly, and their triumphant entry justifies a division between two geologic stages, and serves to characterize a new epoch.

We have seen that the tundra was uniformly carpeted with grass and shrubs and occasional sparse and stunted forests which, during each glacial stage, covered those areas of central and western Europe that remained free of ice. In view of the scanty resources of the tundra, the number of animals living there was large; and, since a fauna must depend very closely upon the flora and the climate, it is not surprising to find a typically Arctic circumpolar fauna in an environment with an equally Arctic flora. The fauna of central Europe during the Glacial Epoch was characterized by two "cold" groups, closely related to each other and at present separated by a vast extent of territory. One of these groups com-

<sup>2</sup> The genera *Equus*, *Camelus*, *Bison*, *Hemibos*, *Leptobos*, and *Bos* appear for the first time in the upper levels of the Siwalik (Pliocene), at the foot of the Himalayas in India. The genus *Stegodon*, which presents a transitional stage from the mastodons to *Elephas* and *Euelephas*, appears to belong to the same level. These facts are sufficient ground for considering India the original seat of the true horses, oxen, and elephants.

It seems unnecessary to emphasize the fact that in natural history there can be no hard and fast limits, and that, therefore, our palæontologic divisions must also, of necessity, be somewhat artificial.

prises animals of the Arctic regions which were driven southward by the great northern ice-sheet: the other consists of Alpine animals which were driven down to the plains by the huge glaciers covering the mountains. This Arctic-Alpine fauna of the tundras is evidenced by many fossil remains and includes the following forms:

## TYPICAL ARCTIC FORMS

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Lemming (banded and Obi lemmings) | <i>Myodes lemnus</i> Collet ( <i>M. torquatus</i> and <i>M. obensis</i> ) |
| Arctic fox                        | <i>Canis lagopus</i> L.   |
| Reindeer                          | <i>Rangifer tarandus</i> L.   |
| Musk ox                           | <i>Ovibos moschatus</i> Blainville  |
| Wolverine (glutton)               | <i>Gulo borealis</i> Nilsson  |

The distribution of the reindeer during the glacial stages is exceedingly significant. It is found throughout Europe—western, central, and eastern. Its extreme southern limit extends to the Cantabrian coast and the province of Gerona in Spain, and to the Blue Coast in the south of France (Mentone), but it did not pass beyond the plain of the Po. East of the Alps it penetrated as far as Krain (Laibach), being halted at the northern bank of the Danube and at the Black Sea (Figure 10).

E. Harlé has demonstrated the presence of the lemming and musk ox in Dordogne, which appears to have been the southwestern limit for these species. Their remains have also been found in Dordogne associated with the seal (*Phoca fatida* and *Phoca grænlantica*).

It is, therefore, not at all surprising that at the Spanish site of Cueto de la Mina, Asturias, two molluscs typical of northern waters have been found—namely, *Cyprina islandica* and *Pecten islandicus*, which were doubtless gathered by Pleistocene man upon that same Cantabrian coast.

## TYPICAL ALPINE FORMS

|               |                                  |
|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Ibex          | <i>Capra ibex</i> L.             |
| Chamois       | <i>Capella rupicapra</i> Blasius |
| Alpine marmot | <i>Arctomys marmotta</i> Blasius |
| Arctic hare   | <i>Lepus variabilis</i> Pallas   |

The ancient area of distribution for the chamois and ibex does not include England or northern Germany, or, generally speaking, any part of northern Europe, being limited in the east to central Europe and the neighborhood of lofty mountain ranges.

There are many deposits which contain this Arctic-Alpine fauna, but, not to be too prolix, we will cite only a few of the most typical.



1. The cave of Kesslerloch, near Schaffhausen in northern Switzerland, containing a deposit with Magdalenian industry.

From the fauna (according to Rüttimeyer and Hescheler) we cite the most important.<sup>3</sup>

|                               |               |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| <i>Felis spelæa</i>           | rare          |
| <i>Felis manul</i>            |               |
| <i>Felis lynx</i>             | rare          |
| <i>Canis lupus</i>            | frequent      |
| * <i>Canis lagopus</i>        | frequent      |
| * <i>Gulo borealis</i>        |               |
| <i>Ursus arctos</i>           | very rare     |
| * <i>Lepus variabilis</i>     | very frequent |
| <i>Lepus timidus</i>          | rare          |
| * <i>Arctomys marmotta</i>    | frequent      |
| <i>Spermophilus rufescens</i> | frequent      |
| * <i>Myodes torquatus</i>     | rare          |
| <i>Elephas primigenius</i>    | rare          |
| <i>Rhinoceros tichorhinus</i> | rare          |
| <i>Equus caballus</i>         | frequent      |
| <i>Equus hemionus</i>         |               |
| * <i>Rangifer tarandus</i>    | very frequent |
| <i>Cervus elaphus</i>         | rare          |
| <i>Cervus capreolus</i>       | rare          |
| * <i>Capella rupicapra</i>    |               |
| * <i>Capra ibex</i>           |               |
| * <i>Ovibos moschatus</i>     | very rare     |
| <i>Bos primigenius</i>        | rare          |
| <i>Bos priscus</i>            | rare          |

2. The cave of Sirgenstein near Schelklingen, Württemberg. Fauna according to E. Koken.

c Late Pleistocene deposits.

|                            |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| <i>Elephas primigenius</i> |               |
| * <i>Rangifer tarandus</i> | very frequent |
| <i>Equus caballus</i>      | very frequent |
| <i>Ursus spelæus</i>       | very frequent |
| * <i>Capra ibex</i>        |               |
| * <i>Canis lagopus</i>     |               |
| * <i>Lepus variabilis</i>  |               |

In the upper half *Lagomys pusillus* is of frequent occurrence, associated with Late Magdalenian industry. In the lower half there are very abundant remains of *Myodes torquatus* with Early Magdalenian industry.

<sup>3</sup> The less important species are omitted. The same usage will be followed in subsequent faunal lists. Species marked with an asterisk are the most typical.

*b* Middle levels—Pleistocene deposits.

*Elephas primigenius*  
*Rhinoceros tichorhinus*  
*Equus caballus*  
*Bison priscus*  
*Felis spelæa*  
*Ursus spelæus*  
*Hyæna spelæa*  
 \**Canis lagopus*  
 \**Rangifer tarandus*  
*Cervus elaphus*  
*Cervus megaceros*  
 \**Lepus variabilis*  
*Antilope saiga*  
 \**Capella rupicapra*  
 \**Capra ibex*  
 \**Gulo borealis*

Associated with Proto-Solutrean and Aurignacian industry. At the base a sterile layer with abundant remains of *Myodes torquatus* and *M. obensis*.

*a* Lower levels—Pleistocene deposits.

|                            |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| <i>Ursus spelæus</i>       | frequent  |
| * <i>Rangifer tarandus</i> | frequent  |
| <i>Equus caballus</i>      | frequent  |
| <i>Elephas primigenius</i> |           |
| <i>Bison priscus</i>       |           |
| * <i>Capra ibex</i>        |           |
| <i>Canis lupus</i>         |           |
| * <i>Canis lagopus</i>     |           |
| * <i>Lepus variabilis</i>  |           |
| * <i>Myodes lemnus</i>     | very rare |

Associated with Mousterian industry, both late and primitive.

3. The cave of Sipka near Stramberg in northern Moravia. Fauna according to K. Maška.

*b* Upper levels with Magdalenian industry.

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| <i>Ursus arctos</i>           |          |
| * <i>Rangifer tarandus</i>    | frequent |
| <i>Equus caballus</i>         |          |
| <i>Elephas primigenius</i>    |          |
| <i>Rhinoceros tichorhinus</i> |          |
| * <i>Myodes torquatus</i>     | frequent |
| <i>Lagomys pusillus</i>       |          |
| <i>Spermophilus rufescens</i> |          |
| <i>Bos priscus</i>            |          |
| <i>Cervus alces</i>           |          |
| * <i>Canis lagopus</i>        |          |
| * <i>Lepus variabilis</i>     |          |



## a Lower levels with Mousterian industry.

*Felis spelæa*  
*Felis pardus*  
*Hyæna spelæa*  
*Cuon europæus*  
*Ursus spelæus*  
*Ursus arctos*  
 \**Gulo borealis*  
 \**Arctomys marmotta*  
 \**Myodes lemnus*  
*Bos primigenius*  
*Bos priscus*  
 \**Capella rupicapra*  
 \**Rangifer tarandus*  
*Equus caballus*  
*Elephas primigenius*  
*Rhinoceros tichorhinus*

The tundra phase is followed by a cold steppe phase, with the loess as its typical deposit. In the steppes of Asia at the present time the terrible winter storms with heavy snow cause the death of hundreds of thousands of animals. Subsequently, as the abrupt seasonal changes of climate ensue, their bodies are covered by the loess transported by the windstorms of spring and autumn. It is thus easy to see why such abundant fossil remains are found in the loess of the Glacial Epoch.

A careful study of these remains shows that all the animals of the tundra lived also throughout the cold steppe phase. This mixture is not surprising when one considers that in nature two successive climatic and faunal phases are not sharply separated, but the transition is gradual and almost imperceptible. Nevertheless, it may be noted that the musk ox and lemming are of much rarer occurrence in the typical steppe, while at the same time new forms appear which are never found in the tundra and are also absent from the forest.

## TYPICAL STEPPE FORMS\*

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| Great jerboa       | <i>Alactaga jaculus</i> Pallas                 |
| Spermophile        | <i>Spermophilus citillus</i> Blasius           |
| Rufous spermophile | <i>Spermophilus rufescens</i> Keys and Blasius |
| Steppe marmot      | <i>Arctomys (Ochotona) bobac</i> Blasius       |
| Tailless hare      | <i>Lagomys pusillus</i> Pallas                 |
| Saiga antelope     | <i>Saiga tartarica</i> Pallas                  |

\* The center of distribution for this fauna was in eastern Europe, embracing the south Russian, Aralo-Caspian region lying between the Dniester and Don rivers and the Black Sea.

During the steppe phase the woolly elephant or mammoth (*Elephas primigenius* Pallas, Figure 19, c) attained its maximum predominance, and also the woolly rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros tichorhinus* Cuvier, Figure 12).

The mammoth lived in almost all of Europe except the far north, its range extending southward as far as the Cantabrian coast and the province of Gerona in northern Spain, and also to the environs of Rome in central Italy, the northern Balkan regions, and the south shore of the Black Sea (Anatolia and the region south of the Caucasus).

The mammoth was a typical northern species, being marvelously protected from cold by its woolly coat. Its constant companion was the woolly rhinoceros, which was absent only in Italy. Remains of the Saiga antelope are found throughout central Europe and westward as far as Lot-et-Garonne, France, and the valley of the Thames, England. Very typical were the steppe horse and the kiang, or Asiatic wild ass (*Equus hemionus*); while less abundant were the wild cattle (*Bos primigenius*) and bison (*Bos priscus*), the stag or red deer (*Cervus elaphus*), the wapiti (*Cervus canadensis*), the maral deer (*Cervus maral*), the Siberian fallow deer (*Cervus pygargus*), and the steppe porcupine (*Hystrix hirsutirostris*).

Of the many Palæolithic loess stations in the open in Europe the following may be mentioned:

1. Loess deposit at Thiede near Brunswick, with Aurignacian industry. Fauna according to A. Nehring.

- \**Equus caballus*
- \**Elephas primigenius*
- \**Rhinoceros tichorhinus*
- \**Alactaga jaculus*
- \**Lagomys pusillus*
- \**Spermophilus rufescens*
- Felis spelæa*
- Hyæna spelæa*
- Cervus megaceros*
- †*Canis lagopus*
- †*Rangifer tarandus*
- †*Myodes lemmus*
- †*Lepus variabilis*
- †*Ovibos moschatus*

2. Loess station in the open at Předmost, Moravia, site of the Solutrean "Mammoth Hunters." Fauna according to K. Maška.

\* Fauna marked with double dagger are found at the base of the deposit.



|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| * <i>Elephas primigenius</i>    | very frequent |
| <i>Canis lagopus</i>            | very frequent |
| <i>Canis lupus</i>              | very frequent |
| <i>Lepus variabilis</i>         | very frequent |
| <i>Rangifer tarandus</i>        | very frequent |
| * <i>Equus caballus</i>         | very frequent |
| <i>Gulo borealis</i>            | very frequent |
| <i>Ursus arctos</i>             | frequent      |
| <i>Felis spelæa</i>             | frequent      |
| <i>Canis vulpes</i>             | frequent      |
| <i>Bos primigenius</i>          | rare          |
| <i>Bos priscus</i>              | rare          |
| * <i>Rhinoceros tichorhinus</i> | rare          |
| <i>Ovibos moschatus</i>         | rare          |
| <i>Myodes torquatus</i>         | very rare     |
| <i>Cervus alces</i>             | very rare     |
| <i>Capra ibex</i>               | very rare     |
| <i>Castor fiber</i>             | very rare     |
| <i>Felis pardus</i>             | very rare     |

The character of the cold fauna of Předmost is unquestionably due to the inland situation of this celebrated deposit.

The faunal lists cited above belong to the fourth or final glaciation, and to its cold post-glacial phases, and therefore represent the most recent glacial fauna.\*

Little is known of the Third Glacial Stage. Gutzwiller and Mühlberg have remarked the presence of *Elephas primigenius*, *Rangifer tarandus*, and *Cervus elaphus* in the Riss gravels of Switzerland. Of the same age is the "Mammoth Loam" of Cannstatt, near Stuttgart, Würtemberg. The geologic age of this loam has been determined in masterly fashion by E. Koken. It contains remains of *Elephas primigenius*, *Rhinoceros tichorhinus*, *Bos primigenius*, *Cervus elaphus*, *Cervus megaceros germaniæ*, *Rangifer tarandus*, *Equus caballus*, and *Ursus spelæus*.

It would seem that a part of the fauna of the Forest Bed of Cromer, England, belongs to the same period. According to E. T. Newton the following species are found there: *Hippopotamus major*, *Elephas trogontherii* (not *E. meridionalis*), *Machairodus* sp., *Equus stenonis*, and others, apparently with an intermixture of other faunal elements, such as *Gulo luscus*, *Ovibos moschatus*, and others.

\* As explained later (Chapter VIII), it is impossible to assign the Moustertian to the Third Glacial Stage, in which case the lower levels of Sirgenstein, Šipka, and others would date back to the Riss. If this opinion were justified—which we do not admit—we would have for the third glaciation a very ample faunal list, differing in no particular from that of the fourth.

The warm fauna agrees well with that of the Second Interglacial Stage, and consequently the cold elements would correspond to the following Third Glacial Stage. Of the same age, or perhaps still older, is the *Rangifer tarandus* of Steinheim on the Murr, and the *Præovibos priscus* of Frankenhause in Thuringia. In the lower gravels of Süssenborn, near Weimar, from eight to ten meters below the surface, W. Soergel came upon remains of *Rangifer* cfr. *tarandus*, which may probably be attributed to the Second Glacial Stage. These gravels were doubtless deposited previous to the maximum glaciation of Scandinavia, which covered that region with ice.

Glancing at the faunal lists already given and at those following, it will be noted that a number of species are common to both the warm and the cold climate. These species consist either of those that are easily adaptable, or those that flourish indifferently in a cold or warm environment. Among the most frequently occurring forms are the carnivores—the cave bear (*Ursus spelæus*, Figure 14), cave lion (*Felis spelæa*, Figure 15), cave hyena (*Hyæna spelæa*), leopard (*Felis pardus*), lynx (*Felis lynx*), wildcat (*Felis catus ferus*), wolf (*Canis lupus*), fox (*Canis vulpes*), and cyon (*Cyon europæus*). Of common occurrence also are a number of Cervidæ, including the giant deer (*Cervus megaceros*, also known as *C. euryceros* or *C. hibernicus*), stag (*C. elaphus*), and moose (*Alces palmatus* or *C. alces*). The Equidæ are represented by the horse (*Equus caballus*), both forest and Celtic types; and the Bovidæ by the wild ox (*Bos primigenius*) and bison (*Bos priscus*, Figure 17). In addition there are the otter (*Lutra vulgaris*), beaver (*Castor fiber*), and others. In the Lower Pleistocene many of these species are represented by their more primitive ancestral forms.

The frequent occurrence of roe deer, wild boar, bear, rabbit, wild cattle, and bison (*Cervus capreolus*, *Sus scrofa ferus*, *Ursus arctos*, *Lepus cuniculus*, *Bos primigenius*, and *Bos priscus*) indicates a mild climate, intermediate between the extremes of glacial and interglacial times.

It has been shown that the interglacial stages were characterized by warm forest phases, such as are typically represented by the flora of Celle-sous-Moret and Hötting (p. 380). At these times the climate was much warmer than at present, but, nevertheless, there is no very strong reason to assume that all of Europe was then covered by an impenetrable forest. The forests alternated with districts of bush and meadow, and it is probable that warm steppes extended over large areas.

Convincing evidence for the warm interglacial stages is afforded by the presence of certain molluscs, such as *Zonites acieformis*, *Palu-*





with *R. hundsheimensis* as a variant) is probably derived from the Tertiary species *R. schleiermacheri*, and is ancestral to the broad-nosed or Merck's rhinoceros (*R. merckii*—synonyms, *R. leptorhinus* Cuvier, *R. megarhinus* Christol), an animal which also shows preference for a warm climate. The woolly rhinoceros (*R. tichorhinus*—synonyms, *R. antiquitatis* Blumenb. or *Atelodus antiquitatis*) appears to be related to *R. branchoi* of China.

Very typical of the Early Pleistocene is the formidable saber-tooth tiger (*Machairodus cultridens*, *crenatidens*, *latidens*), subsequently replaced by large Felidae with *Felis arvernensis* as their ancestral form. From this form *F. leo* is directly descended, while *F. spelæa* represents an extinct lateral branch (Figure 15). Remains of *Machairodus* have been discovered not only in western Europe, but also, very recently, in Early Pleistocene deposits of central Europe—namely, at Hundsheim, Lower Austria; in the Stranska Cave near Brünn, Czecho-Slovakia; and at Somlyó Mountain near Püspökföld, Hungary.

The Early Pleistocene precursor of the African hyena (*Hyæna striata*) is the hyena of Auvergne (*H. arvernensis*), and of the same stock are *H. antiqua*, *robusta*, and *prisca*. Both *H. intermedia*, the most ancient form, and *H. brunea*, the most recent, are limited in range to southern France. Another group of hyenas, with *H. perrieri* (*H. topariensis*) as their ancestral form, are the cave hyena and the spotted hyena (*H. spelæa* and *H. crocuta*). (Figure 18, p. 60.)

The bears of the Pleistocene are all derived from *Ursus etruscus*, of which the bear of Auvergne (*U. arvernensis*) is a small variant. One group is that of *U. arctos*; the other evolves through Deninger's bear (*U. deningeri*) to the cave bear (*U. spelæus*), now extinct.

The most ancient form among the Pleistocene Canidae is *Canis neschersensis*, associated with which are found the species *C. lupus* and *C. vulpes*, identical with forms of the present day. It may be supposed that *C. lagopus* entered Europe with an Arctic fauna from Asia.

The Cervidae are divided into many species and varieties—some ancient, others recent—of which the giant deer and the moose (*Cervus megaceros* and *Alces latifrons*, precursor of *A. palmatus*) certainly lived by preference in open country free from dense forests.

The same was true of the Equidae, which are monophyletic in origin and have no direct relation to *Hipparion*. The two representatives of the Bovidae, the wild ox and bison (*Bos primigenius* and *Bos priscus*), still existed in Europe in recent geologic times.

The African hippopotamus (*Hippopotamus amphibius*—syno-



nymys, *H. major* Owen, *H. amphibius* Falconer) during the Glacial Epoch was distributed throughout the Mediterranean region with the exception of the Balkans. It extended from Africa by way of Tunis and Sicily into Italy, Spain, France, and southern England, and remains have also been found on the east bank of the Rhine at one site only, that of Mosbach-Biebrich near Wiesbaden.

Very similar is the area of distribution for the southern elephant (*Elephas meridionalis*). In western Europe it seems to have penetrated no further than the Rhine, and in the southeast of Europe its northern limit was the region of the Black Sea (Rumania, basin of the river Kuban, north of the Caucasus).

The straight-tusked or ancient elephant (*Elephas antiquus*) was another species common to the Mediterranean zone and also to western and central Europe, penetrating as far north as Antwerp, Berlin, and Warsaw. To the southeast the northern limit of its range was the northern shores of the Black Sea (Bessarabia) and the region of the lower Danube (Figure 19). The distribution of *Rhinoceros merckii* was almost identical.

Remains of *E. antiquus*—both large and dwarf forms—are also found in a number of the Mediterranean islands, such as Sardinia, Sicily, Malta,<sup>7</sup> Crete, and Cyprus.

*E. trogontherii* was, on the contrary, a species of more northern and continental habitat. The true "type" is limited to southern Russia, Germany, and England. Occasionally dwarf forms are found. It is of rare occurrence in France, and seems to have been completely lacking in Spain, Italy, and the Balkans.

The elasmotherium (*Elasmotherium sibiricum* Fischer), a pachyderm adapted to exclusively herbivorous diet, occupies a unique position. It is related to the *Rhinoceros* type, and has been found in the Pleistocene of the Rhine and of southern Russia as far as the lower Volga and the Kirghiz steppes. According to A. Borissiak (1914) its occurrence in Siberia is doubtful.

Monkeys are represented in northern Italy by *Macacus florentinus* and *M. ausionis*, in southern France by *M. tolosanus*, in Würtemberg by *M. (Inuus) suevicus*, in Hungary (at Čsarnóta, Baranya) by *Macacus*, nov. sp., in England by *M. pliocenus* of the Pleistocene "loam" of Grays, Essex, and in Sardinia by a *Macacus* of oriental type.

An authoritative classification of the numerous deposits with typically warm fauna has not yet been made. It has been hindered by the many divergences which have arisen in the attempt to define

<sup>7</sup> Three species are found in Malta—*Elephas antiquus*, *E. melitensis*, and *E. mnaidrensis*.

the division between Pleistocene and Pliocene (p. 382). The difficulty is increased by the fact that very few of the deposits occur in direct contact with glacial deposits. Nevertheless, in agreement with E. Koken and E. Haug, we are able to distinguish three principal faunal groups along general lines. From their composition these groups certainly correspond to different ages, and very probably<sup>8</sup> to the three interglacial stages.

The Early Pleistocene fauna, or "post-Pliocene" group, corresponds in part to the pre-glacial phase, but chiefly to the First Interglacial Stage, being a Pleistocene fauna with Pliocene survivals.

Pliocene survivals—*Mastodon borsoni*, *Mastodon arvernensis*, *Tapirus arvernensis*, *Hipparion* (?).

Appearance of *Elephas meridionalis* (type),<sup>9</sup> *Equus* (*E. stenonis*), and *Bos*.

Culminating phase of *Macacus*, *Felis arvernensis*, *Hyæna perrieri*, *Rhinoceros etruscus*, *Ursus etruscus*.

This phase corresponds with E. Haug's phases of Villefranche and Saint-Prest, with the marine Calabrian of M. Gignoux, and with the first two phases of the Early Pleistocene according to E. Koken. The following faunas are typical of this group:

Val d'Arno, Italy.

Fauna according to C. J. Forsyth-Major.

*Macacus florentinus*  
*M. ausonius*  
*Felis issiodorensis*  
*F. arvernensis*  
*Canis etruscus*  
*C. falconeri*  
*Ursus etruscus*  
*Hyæna perrieri*  
*H. arvernensis*  
*Machairodus megarctos*  
*M. cultridens*  
*Equus stenonis* (= *E. sivalensis*)

<sup>8</sup> It is necessary to eliminate from consideration all deposits in which there is a combination of warm and cold fauna. In most such cases it is not difficult to show, from the state of preservation of the two heterogeneous elements, that there has been a later admixture.

<sup>9</sup> Certain authors have recently reported the occurrence of remains of *Elephas planifrons* Falc. in Bessarabia and at Döbermannsdorf near Vienna. But this species—as W. Soergel has shown—does not occur in Europe, and the discoveries named belong to *E. meridionalis*. (Soergel, W.: Das vermeintliche Vorkommen von *Elephas planifrons* Falc. in Nieder-Österreich. *Zeitschr. für Paläontologie*, vol. ii, Berlin, 1915.)



- \**Mastodon borsoni*
- \**Mastodon arvernensis*
- \**Elephas meridionalis*
- \**Tapirus arvernensis*
- Rhinoceros etruscus*
- Hippopotamus major*
- Sus giganteus*
- Bos (bibos) etruscus*
- Leptobos stozii*
- Cervus dicranios (=C. sedgwicki)*
- C. ctenoides*
- C. perrieri*
- C. etueriarium*
- Palæoreas Montis Caroli*
- Castor rosinae*
- C. plicidens*
- Hystrix* sp.

Mosbach, near Wiesbaden, Germany.

(W. von Reichenau and W. Soergel.)

Low level (p. 396).

- \**Mastodon arvernensis*
- \**Elephas meridionalis*
- Trogotherium cuvieri*
- Equus stenonis*
- Hippopotamus major*
- Ursus arvernensis*
- Rhinoceros etruscus*

Crozas, near Vals, Haute-Loire, France.

(A. Laurent and Broquin.)

- \**Mastodon arvernensis*
- \**M. borsoni*
- \**Elephas meridionalis*

Perrier, near Issoire, Puy-de-Dôme, France.

(C. Depéret.)

- Castor plicidens*
- Ursus arvernensis*
- Hyæna perrieri*
- H. arvernensis*
- Canis megamastoides*
- Machairodus crenatidens*
- \**Hipparion*
- Equus stenonis*

- \**Tapirus arvernensis*
- Rhinoceros etruscus*
- Gazella borbonica*
- G. julieni*
- Palæoreas torticornis*
- Cervus perrieri*
- C. cusanus*
- C. ardeus*
- Bos elatus*
- \**Mastodon arvernensis*
- \**Elephas meridionalis* (?)

Sands of Chagny, Saône-et-Loire, France.

(C. Depéret.)

- Castor issiodorensis*
- Ursus arvernensis*
- Hyæna perrieri*
- Machairodus crenatidens*
- Equus stenorhis*
- \**Tapirus arvernensis*
- Rhinoceros etruscus*
- Bos elatus*
- Gazella burgundina*
- Cervus pardinensis*
- C. etueriarium*
- C. douvillei*
- Capreolus cusanus*
- \**Mastodon arvernensis*
- \**M. borsoni*
- \**Elephas meridionalis*

Saint-Prest, near Chartres, Eure-et-Loir, France.

- Trogontherium cuvieri*
- Equus stenorhis*
- Rhinoceros* sp.
- Hippopotamus major*
- Cervus carnutorum*
- \**Elephas meridionalis*

With this deposit may be compared the "Mastodon Sands" of Puy, Auvergne, with *Mastodon arvernensis*, *M. borsoni*, *Tapirus arvernensis*, *Rhinoceros etruscus*, *Palæoreas torticornis*, etc.; also the fauna found in the alluvial deposits lying below the basalts of Sainzelles, Puy-de-Dôme, with *Elephas meridionalis* and *Rhinoceros etruscus*; and the faunas of Durfort (p. 381), of the lignites of Leffe (p. 381), of Tegelen (p. 381), and many others.



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Norwich Crag, eastern England.

(E. T. Newton.)

*Trogontherium cuvieri**Equus stenonis**Gazella anglica**Cervus carnutorum*\**Mastodon arvernensis*\**Elephas meridionalis*

The greater part of the fresh water molluscs belong to recent species.

Doveholes, near Buxton, Derbyshire, England.

(Boyd Dawkins.)

*Machairodus crenatidens**Hyæna* sp.\**Mastodon arvernensis*\**Elephas meridionalis**Rhinoceros etruscus**Equus stenonis**Cervus etueriarium*

The Middle Pleistocene fauna of the Second Interglacial Stage—with *Elephas trogontherii*—is characterized as follows:

Culminating phase of *Elephas trogontherii*; earliest stage of *E. antiquus* and *Rhinoceros merckii*.

First appearance of *Ursus deningeri*, *Felis spelæa*, *Hyæna striata*, and *Cervus megaceros*.

Extinction of *Rhinoceros etruscus*, *Equus stenonis*, *Hyæna arvernensis*, *Ursus arvernensis*, *Machairodus*, *Macacus*. This belongs to the "Cromer" phase of E. Haug.

Mosbach, near Wiesbaden, Germany.

(W. von Reichenau and W. Soergel.)

Middle level (p. 394).

\**Elephas trogontherii* (frequent)\**Elephas antiquus**Equus mosbachensis**Equus stenonis**Alces latifrons**Cervus elaphus**C. capreolus*\**Ursus deningeri**U. arvernensis* (?)\**Felis spelæa**Rhinoceros etruscus*\**Rhinoceros merckii*

*Lynx issiodorensis*  
*Castor fiber*  
*Canis neschersensis*  
*Hyæna arvernensis*  
*Hippopotamus major* (?)

Upper level.

*Elephas trogontherii primigenius*

Sands of Mauer, near Heidelberg, Baden, Germany.

(O. Schötensack and A. Wurm.)

\**Elephas antiquus* (frequent)  
*Rhinoceros etruscus* (frequent)  
*Cervus elaphus* (frequent)  
*Alces latifrons*  
*Cervus capreolus*  
*Bison priscus* (frequent)  
*Equus stenonis* (rare)  
*E. mosbachensis* (rare)  
*Ursus arvernensis*  
 \**U. deningeri*  
 \**Felis leo fossilis* (= *spelæa*)  
*F. pardus*  
*F. catus*  
*Canis neschersensis*  
*Sus scrofa priscus*  
*Castor fiber*

Süssenborn, near Weimar, Germany.

(E. Wüst and W. Soergel.)

\**Elephas trogontherii*<sup>10</sup>  
*Rhinoceros etruscus*  
*Rhinoceros* sp.  
*Equus süssenbornensis*  
*E. cfr. germanicus*  
*Bison priscus* var. *süssenbornensis*  
*Bison* sp.  
*Leptobos* (?) sp.  
*Cervus elaphus trogontherii*  
 \**Cervus euryceros*  
*Cervus capreolus*  
*Cervus* sp.  
*Alces latifrons*  
*Castor fiber*  
*Ursus* sp.

<sup>10</sup> According to W. Soergel *Elephas meridionalis* and *Elephas primigenius* are not found in this deposit.



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Steinheim on the Murr, Württemberg.

(W. Soergel.)

Lower complex.

- \**Elephas trogontherii*
- \**E. antiquus*
- \**Rhinoceros merckii*
- Cervus elaphus*
- \**C. megaceros germaniae*
- Equus* cfr. *germanicus*
- Bison priscus*

Upper complex.

- Elephas primigenius*
- Rhinoceros tichorhinus*
- Ursus spelæus*
- Equus germanicus*
- Bos primigenius*
- Megaceros germaniae*

Abbeville, Somme, France.

(V. Commont.)

- \**Elephas (meridionalis) trogontherii*
- \**E. antiquus*
- Hippopotamus major*
- Rhinoceros etruscus*
- \**R. merckii*
- R. leptorhinus* (? H.O.)
- Machairodus*
- Cervus solilhacus*
- C. somonensis*
- Equus stenonis*

Solilhac, near Blanzac, Haute-Loire, France.

(M. Boule.)

- \**Elephas* cfr. *meridionalis*<sup>11</sup>
- \**Rhinoceros merckii*
- Hippopotamus amphibius*
- Cervus elaphus*
- C. intermedius*
- C. solilhacus*
- Dama somonensis*

<sup>11</sup> Probably *Elephas trogontherii* (H.O.).

Breccias with warm fauna at Montmaurin, Es-Taliens, and Montsaunés in southern France.

(E. Harlé and M. Boule.)

- \**Rhinoceros merckii*
- Machairodus latidens*
- \**Hyæna striata*
- H. fusca*
- Macacus tolosanus*
- Hystrix major*

To this group belongs the warm fauna of the "Forest Bed of Cromer," England (p. 388), and other forms.

The Late Pleistocene fauna of the Third Interglacial Stage—late phase of *Elephas antiquus*—is characterized as follows:

Last appearance of *Elephas antiquus*, *Rhinoceros merckii*, and *Hippopotamus major*.

Frequent occurrence of *Ursus spelæus*, *Felis spelæa*, *Hyæna spelæa*, and *Cervus megaceros*.

This phase corresponds to the "Chellean" of E. Haug—according to him the Third Interglacial Stage.

From their stratigraphy there can be no doubt that the following deposits in Switzerland belong to the Third Interglacial Stage: Flurlingen, near Schaffhausen, with remains of *Rhinoceros merckii*; and the coal pits of Dürnten in the canton of Zürich, with remains of *Elephas antiquus* and *Rhinoceros merckii*, which were covered by moraines of the Fourth Glacial Stage.

Grotte du Prince, northern Italy, near Mentone.

(M. Boule.)

Lower levels.

- Lepus cuniculus*
- Ursus arctos*
- U. spelæus*
- Hyæna spelæa*
- Felis pardus*
- F. leo*
- Equus* cfr. *stenonis*
- E. caballus*
- \**Rhinoceros merckii*
- \**Hippopotamus major*
- Sus scrofa*
- Cervus elaphus*
- C. capreolus*
- C. (dama) somonensis*
- Capra ibex* (rare)



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*Capella rupicapra*  
*Bos primigenius* or *priscus*  
 \**Elephas antiquus*

Tuffs of Burgtonna and Graefentonna, near Gotha, Germany.

\**Elephas antiquus*  
 \**Rhinoceros merckii*  
*Felis spelæa*  
*Hyæna spelæa*  
*Cervus euryceros*  
*Ursus* cfr. *arctos*

"Chellean" gravels of the Seine, Paris.

*Trogontherium cuvieri*  
*Hyæna spelæa*  
*Ursus spelæus*  
*Equus caballus*  
 \**Rhinoceros merckii*  
 \**Elephas antiquus*  
 \**Hippopotamus major*

"Chellean" gravels of the Thames Valley, England.

*Corbicula fluminalis*  
*Unio litoralis*  
 \**Elephas antiquus*  
 \**Hippopotamus major*

Lack of space prevents giving any detailed account of the Pleistocene fauna in other continents. Northern Africa is of especial interest as regards zoögeography on account of the relations of its fauna to that of Europe.

In the neighborhood of Constantine P. Thomas has distinguished three successive levels, as follows:

*a* Fluvio-lacustrine deposits with *Elephas meridionalis*, *Hipparion gracile*, *Equus stenonis*, *Hippopotamus hipponensis*, *Bubalus antiquus*, *Palæoreas gaudryi*, *Cynocephalus atlanticus*, etc.

*b* Alluvial deposits of the high levels with *Equus stenonis*, *Hippopotamus amphibius*, *Bos primigenius*, etc.

*c* Alluvial deposits of the low levels with *Elephas atlanticus*, *Equus africanus*, *Hippopotamus amphibius*, *Camelus* sp., etc.

Other deposits contained remains of *Felis antiqua*, *Hyæna vulgaris*, *Ursus libycus*, *Canis aureus*, *Camelus dromedarius*, *Mastodon borsoni*, *Elephas jolensis*, *Elephas africanus*, *Macacus proinuus*, etc.

A part of this fauna still survives in the South. Only the genus *Ursus* has completely disappeared from Africa.

In Asia the various caves of Lebanon, according to G. Zumoffen,

afford the following fauna: *Ursus syriacus*, *Felis spelæa*, *Equus caballus*, *Rhinoceros tichorhinus*, *Bison priscus*, and others. The Pleistocene fauna of the island of Java is treated later (Chapter IX). From various deposits in China the following have been reported: *Felis* sp., *Hyæna sinensis*, *Equus* sp., *Rhinoceros sinensis*, *R. simplicidens* (approaching *R. merckii*), *Tapirus sinensis*, *Elephas namadicus* (= *E. antiquus*) from the caves of Zetchuan and Yunnan, and *Rhinoceros tichorhinus*, *Elephas primigenius*, *Bos primigenius*, *Bos priscus* from various loess deposits, according to M. Schlosser.

In America a different mammal fauna is found, which presents a combination of forms, at times in the highest degree extraordinary. The fauna of North America consists chiefly of species derived by migration from Asia, such as *Elephas primigenius* and very probably *Rangifer tarandus*, *Ovibos moschatus*, *Cervus alces*, *Bos bison*, *Ursus arctos*, *Castor fiber*, and a number of large felines.<sup>12</sup> In addition to these species there is also a completely autochthonous fauna which includes *Mastodon ohioiticus* and a number of independent species of *Equus caballus*, *Platygonus*, *Erethizon dorsatum*, *Tapirus*, etc.

We will exclude a third group, consisting of forms which migrated from South America, and which are found only in the southern part of North America, being entirely lacking in Canada. These are Edentates of the genera *Megatherium*, *Mylodon*, and *Megalonyx*.

Thanks to the labors of H. F. Osborn, W. D. Matthew, B. Brown, E. D. Cope, and W. H. Dall it is possible to distinguish the three following groups:

a Early Pleistocene: *Mastodon mirificus*, *M. americanus*; *Elephas imperator*, *E. columbi*; *Hipparion*; *Equus excelsus*, *complicatus*, *fraternus*, *scotti*, *pacificus*, *occidentalis*; *Tapirus*; *Camelus americanus*, *Holomeniscus*, *Eschatus*, *Camelops*; *Antilocapra*; *Platygonus*; *Canis lupus*; *Bison occidentalis*, *B. alleni*; *Lutra*; *Castor*; *Microtus*; *Cynomys*, *Thomomys*, *Glyptotherium*; *Megalonyx leidy*; *Mylodon harlani*, *M. sodalis*, etc.

b Middle Pleistocene: *Mastodon americanus*; *Elephas columbi*; *Tapirus americanus*; *Equus fraternus*, *pectinatus*; *Canis priscolatrans*; *Ursus americanus*; *Arctodus leidy*; *Felis atrox*; *Smilodon mercieri*, *gracile*; *Mylohyus pennsylvanicus*; *Cervus canadensis*; *Alces americanus*; *Odocoileus virginianus*; *Bison antiquus*, *latifrons*; *Erethizon dorsatum*; *Sciurus calicinus*; *Lagomys*; *Lepus*;

<sup>12</sup> *Rhinoceros*, *Hippopotamus*, *Ursus spelæus*, and *Hyæna spelæa* are entirely lacking.



*Microtus*; *Hesperomys*; *Megalonyx jeffersoni*; *Myiodon harlani*; *Megatherium*.

The maximum glaciation of North America took place during the Middle Pleistocene, which explains the extinction of numerous forms belonging to the early fauna, and the migration of others, such as the tapir, puma, and Camelidæ, to South America.

c Late Pleistocene: *Ovibos moschatus*; *Rangifer tarandus*; *Elephas primigenius*; *Ursus americanus*; *Canis occidentalis*, *vulpes*; *Procyon*; *Smilodontopsis troglodytes*; *Mylohyus*; *Odocoileus hemionus*, *virginianus*; *Cervus canadensis*; *Symbos australis*.

Tapirs and Edentates were absent.

The fauna of South America is chiefly known through the labors of F. Ameghino, R. Lehmann-Nitsche, C. Andrews, W. B. Scott, R. Lydekker, and H. Burmeister.

The caverns of Lagoa Santa in the province of Minas Gerães, Brazil, have afforded, according to W. Lund, a rare admixture of species belonging to North and to South America. They include *Megatherium*, *Scelidotherium*, *Megalonyx*, *Dasypus*, *Chlamydothidium*, *Machairodus neogæus*, *Felis protopanther*, *Cynælurus*, *Canis*, *Ursus brasiliensis*—*Hippidium neogæum*, *Tapirus americanus*—*Dicotyles*, *Leptotherium*, *Auchenia*, *Cervus*, *Antilope*—*Mastodon*.

The principal species from the deposits at Tarija, Bolivia, are the following: *Megatherium*, *Scelidotherium*, *Glyptodon*, *Lestodon*, *Myiodon*, *Machairodus*, *Hippidium*, *Hydrochærus*, *Myopotamus*, *Auchenia*, *Macrauchenia*, *Mastodon*.

Those species which were adaptable to a steppe climate reappear, for the most part, in the pampas of Argentina, which are of æolian origin and are considered as the geologic equivalent of the European loess. There some two hundred species are found which, taken all together, comprise the following:

Marsupials—*Didelphyidæ*. Rodents—*Cricetidæ*, *Myocastoridæ*, *Octodontidæ*, *Viscaccidæ*, *Cavidæ*. Edentates—*Megalonychidæ*, *Megatheridæ*, *Myiodontidæ*, *Glyptodontidæ*, *Sclerocalyptidæ*, *Dædicuridæ*, *Chlamydothetidæ*, *Tatusidæ*, *Dasypodidæ*, *Chlamydophoridæ*. Carnivores—*Ursidæ* (*Arctotherium*, *Pararctotherium*), *Canidæ* (*Canis*, *Palæocyon*, *Dinocyops*, *Macrocyon*), *Mustelidæ*, *Felidæ* (*Felis*, *Smilodon*). Typotheres—*Hegetotheridæ*, *Typotheridæ*. Toxodonts—*Toxodontidæ*. Perissodactyls—*Equidæ* (*Stereohippus*, *Parahipparion*, *Hippaphys*, *Onohippidium*, *Nesohippidium*, *Hippidium*, *Equus*), *Tapiridæ* (*Tapirus*), *Macrauchenidæ*. Artiodactyls—*Suidæ* (*†Listriodon*, *Catagonus*, *Tajassus*), *Camelidæ* (*Palæolama*, *Lama*, *Protauchenia*, *Hemiauchenia*, *Stilauchenia*, *Mesolama*, *Eulamaops*),



Cervidæ (*Paraceros*, *Epieuryceros*, *Odocoileus*, *Antifer*, *Hippocamelus*), Antilopidæ (*Platatherium*). Amblypods—Plicatodontidæ. Proboscidiæ—Elephantidæ (*Mastodon*).<sup>13</sup>

A great number of these families are still represented in the existing fauna.

In Australia the Pleistocene fauna, like that of the present time, occupies a unique position. According to R. Owen it includes the following:

Monotremes—*Echidna*. Phalangers—*Bettongia*, *Thylacoleo*, *Sthenurus*, *Palorchestes*. Wombats—*Phascolomys*, *Nototherium*, *Diprotodon*. Dasyures—*Dasyurus*, *Sarcophilus*, *Thylacinus*.

The causes responsible for the extinction of a great number of Pleistocene species are many and various. In many cases the cause, aside from climatic conditions, was unquestionably a hyperspecialization and at the same time the beginning of degeneration. Of the European fauna the following did not disappear until the post-glacial stage: *Ursus spelæus*, *Hyæna spelæa*, *Felis spelæa*, *Cervus megaceros*, *Elephas primigenius*, and *Rhinoceros tichorhinus*, and earlier in the South than in the North. In no case was Pleistocene man the "destroyer" of this interesting fauna.

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## CHAPTER IV

## NOTES AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

*Note 1, p. 63.* Science owes the first conclusive evidence of the existence of Pleistocene man to J. Boucher de Crèvecœur de Perthes (1788-1868), who pursued his researches from 1839 on, chiefly in the alluvial deposits of Abbeville, northern France.

The chronologic classification on page 63 was established by Gabriel de Mortillet (1821-1898), who based it chiefly upon the



results obtained by the excavations of E. Lartet. The "Pre-Chellean" was established by V. Commont (1866-1918), and the "Aurignacian" by E. Cartailhac and H. Breuil.

*Note 2, p. 69.* The matter of the certainty and importance of types of Palæolithic implements as *forms characteristically typical of a special level* is no longer open to question. The many discoveries made and the typical forms found almost all over Europe in recent times have justified the admission of the theory and closed the discussion in scientific circles.

*Note 3, p. 82.* Loess with Acheulean industry was entirely absent at this site. The discovery might better have been called "Pre-Mousterian" at least, and not "warm Mousterian."

*Note 4, p. 83.* We cannot accept the "Strepyan" of A. Rutot (Chapter I, p. 8), but it seems probable that his "Mesvinian" corresponds to a very early Mousterian.

The large "poniards, swords, and maces" to which he refers are mostly forgeries; others belong to the early Neolithic. None of these specimens was ever found by a competent witness, or in a deposit of established stratigraphic age.

*Note 5, p. 84.* In southeastern France there are also a number of Mousterian deposits indicating the same warm climate during the same period, but not containing remains of hippopotamus, straight-tusked elephant, or Merck's rhinoceros.

At the shelter of Olha near Cambo, Basses-Pyrénées, in southwestern France, remains of *Rhinoceros merckii* have recently been discovered associated with a true Mousterian industry which must be considered as directly related to the "warm Mousterian" in the adjoining region of northern Spain.

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## CHAPTER V

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*Note 1, p. 120.* Belgium and England. The Solutrean in Belgium is sometimes referred to as "Magritian" (from the cave of Trou Magrite), the early Magdalenian as "Goyetian" (from the cave of Goyet), and the Late Magdalenian as "Chaleuxian" (from the cave of Trou de Chaleux).

In England a Proto-Solutrean level is found in the cave of Paviland, Glamorganshire, Wales, and Solutrean deposits have been found in Kent's Hole near Torquay, Devonshire, and in Robin Hood's Hole and Church Hole, both near Cresswell, north-eastern Derbyshire.

*Note 2, p. 120.* It should be noted that, according to certain indications, it is not impossible that during the Pleistocene there was also in central Africa a center of Solutrean culture with large laurel-leaf points. This culture would be an evolution quite independent of Europe, but similar in development, and seems to have extended to the southern Sahara. The laurel-leaf points have a strong patina and are made of other material than the Neolithic implements of the same regions.

*Note 3, p. 120.* Kent's Hole, Devonshire, and Church Hole and Robin Hood's Hole near Cresswell, Derbyshire. From the last-named, Boyd Dawkins has described the figure of a horse incised on a piece of bone. Recently A. Smith Woodward has noted an incised drawing of the head of a horse on a fragment of rib. It was picked up in an old heap of quarry débris near the Bristol road, on the outskirts of Sherborne, Dorset. We too are of the opinion that this engraving is certainly of Magdalenian age.

*Note 4, p. 130.* The caves referred to are chiefly those of Gargas,



Portel, and Font-de-Gaume in southern France, and Castillo and Altamira in northern Spain. In the last-named region no "mutilated fingers" are found.

*Note 5, p. 130.* This is shown both by the superposition of paintings of later date upon such hand silhouettes, and also by the discoveries at the rock shelter of Blanchard, Dordogne. Here hand silhouettes were found upon slabs of rock which had fallen from the wall during the Middle Aurignacian. These pictures of hands, therefore, are perhaps even older than this Aurignacian industry, but in any case they fell during that period.

*Note 6, p. 133.* In central Europe Solutrean sepultures are more frequent. Among them are the sepulture at Brünn and the group sepulture at Předmost, Moravia (p. 297); and the Solutrean skeleton of Neu-Essing, Bavaria.

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## CHAPTER VI

### NOTES AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Note 1, p. 147. Present mammal fauna of Spain according to A. Cabrera (1914).

*Ursus arctos pyrenaicus* Fischer  
*Lutra lutra* Linné  
*Canis lupus signatus* Cabrera  
*Canis lupus deitanus* Cabrera  
*Vulpes vulpes silaceus* Miller  
*Felis silvestris* Schreber  
*Felis silvestris tartessia* Miller  
*Lynx pardellus* Miller  
*Phoca vitulina* Linné

*Monachus monachus* Hermann  
*Macaca silvanus* Linné  
*Lepus granatensis* Rosenhauer  
*Lepus granatensis gallæcius* Miller  
*Lepus europæus pyrenaicus* Hilzheimer  
*Oryctolagus cuniculus algirus* Loche  
*Rupicapra pyrenaica* Bonaparte  
*Rupicapra pyrenaica parva* Cabrera  
*Capra pyrenaica* Schinz  
*Capra pyrenaica Victoriae* Cabrera  
*Capra pyrenaica hispanica* Schimper  
*Capra pyrenaica lusitanica* França  
*Capreolus capreolus canus* Miller  
*Capreolus capreolus decorus* Cabrera  
*Dama dama* Linné  
*Cervus elaphus Bolivari* Cabrera  
*Cervus elaphus hispanicus* Hilzheimer  
*Sus scrofa baticus* Thomas  
*Sus scrofa castilianus* Thomas

There are also several representatives of the order Cetacea.

Note 2, p. 147. Late Pleistocene Fauna.

*Ursus arctos* Linné  
*Ursus spelæus* Blum.  
*Canis lupus* Linné  
*Canis vulpes* Linné  
*Hyæna crocuta* Erxl., var. *spelæa*  
*Felis leo* Linné, var. *spelæa*  
*Felis pardus* Linné  
*Felis catus* Linné  
*Lynx pardellus* Miller  
*Equus*  
*Sus scrofa* Linné  
*Bos*  
*Bison*  
*Cervus capreolus* Linné  
*Cervus elaphus* Linné  
*Cervus dama* Linné  
*Cervus alces*  
*Cervus megaceros*  
*Rupicapra europæa* Cuv.  
*Capra pyrenaica* Cabrera  
*Lepus cuniculus* Linné



*Note 3, pp. 147 and 179.* In no respect do the elephant molars from Torralba resemble those of the type of *Elephas meridionalis*, as will be seen at a glance by comparing them with those from Valverde de Calatrava. Some specimens might be interpreted simply as very advanced mutations of this species, which, on the other hand, approach very closely to *Elephas antiquus*. The majority of the molars are clearly characteristic of *E. antiquus*, in agreement with which is the fact stated by Harlé that the tusks are almost all slender and that the curvature of most of them is limited to the same plane, both features being characteristic of *E. antiquus*.

Of the rhinoceros only a fragment of a molar was found at Torralba, which is not sufficient proof to justify any reference to *Rhinoceros etruscus*. The horse of the same site shows archaic features, but is not *Equus stenonis*.

*Note 4, p. 148.* The proper name of the Corsican pika is *Prolagus* (*Myolagus*) *corsicanus*. It appeared in Corsica during the Late Tertiary, and continued there throughout the entire Pleistocene down to historic times, that is to say, about to the Roman period.

*Note 5, p. 150.* No importance attaches to the presence of the ibex, which even yet is found in all parts of Spain. So far, the presence of the chamois is proved only by discoveries of bones found in the north, in the same region where it still lives. Duckworth's indications of the existence of the chamois in Gibraltar are very doubtful, since up to now only a single bone is known. Furthermore, during his excavations of 1910 to 1915, he encountered no faunal remains that were certainly of Pleistocene age.

*Note 6, p. 152.* It is possible that the fragmentary remains of antelopes recently found at Cape Figari in Sardinia may have also belonged to a *Myotragus*. If this supposition should be confirmed the genus would have had a considerable distribution in the Mediterranean region, and would form a part of the "Tyrrhenian Pleistocene Fauna" of Forsyth-Major, one of the most interesting members of which is the genus *Prolagus* (*Myolagus*).

The Pleistocene fauna of Corsica, where there was a considerable glaciation, also contains, according to C. J. Forsyth-Major, species chiefly resulting from the evolution of precursors from the Late Tertiary, such as *Prolagus corsicanus*, *Rhagamys orthodon*, *Cervus gazioti*, *Ursus corsicanus*, *Ovis musimon*, and others.

In Sardinia an identical fauna is found (*Prolagus sardus*, *Macacus* sp., etc.). Nevertheless, the presence of a dwarf elephant indicates that the definite separation of this island took place in the Pleistocene.

Sicily was also connected with the continent during the first

half of the Pleistocene, as is shown by the presence of the hippopotamus, the southern elephant (at Gravitelli), and the straight-tusked elephant in both large and dwarf forms.

Much more prolonged was the union of the island of Elba with Tuscany. Its fauna shows that a land bridge still existed between the two in the latter half of the Pleistocene, as is shown by the presence of the cave bear, cave lion, lynx, Merck's rhinoceros, hippopotamus, horse, wild boar, stag, and roe deer.

Similar conclusions are reached in regard to the islands of Malta (with elephant and hippopotamus), Crete (with straight-tusked elephant), and Cyprus (with elephant and hippopotamus).

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## CHAPTER VII

## NOTES AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

*Note 1, p. 255.* The pictures published by J. Cabré in his *El Arte rupestre en España* (1916, Plate XXIV), which are contrary to this interpretation, are not exact reproductions, but have been influenced by his viewpoint. The present author had an opportunity in 1912 to see and study the originals, when they were still practically intact, and he feels convinced that there can be no doubt as to their identification as moose.

Owing to the wide scope of the subject, the bibliographic references for this chapter are indicated in the text by bracketed numerals corresponding to those given below. As in the bibliography for Chapter VI, it has been necessary to restrict the number of references given to the most important only, on account of the vast amount of literature on the subject.

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## CHAPTER VIII

## NOTES AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

*Note 1, p. 266.* Menzel and Bayer, in their theoretic works, completely exclude the "warm" Mousterian. According to them, the entire Third Interglacial Stage had a cool climate, and comprised the entire Aurignacian; while the Solutrean would be synchronous with the Fourth (Würm) Glacial Stage.

*Note 2, p. 267.* We reject altogether the supposed "warm" Mousterian of Montières (p. 82), Taubach (p. 85), Wildkirchli (p. 85), and Krapina (p. 87); and refer the reader especially to the discussion of the Pre-Mousterian on pp. 87-90. In no wise can we agree with A. Penck when, in discussing the stratigraphic succession of the fauna of central Europe, he adduces as an instance that of the Grottes de Grimaldi, in spite of the fact that these belong to the Mediterranean region with its mild climate. See p. 84.

*Note 3, p. 270.* Marcellin Boule interprets (1921) the Magdalenian, Solutrean, and Aurignacian as "post-glacial." The Mousterian he assigns to the last glacial stage, and the Chellean to the last interglacial.

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## CHAPTER IX

### NOTES AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

*Note 1, p. 296.* Human skeletal remains from Krapina: From the larger fragments it is possible to reconstruct two skull-tops of children, and the left front of an adult skull with the face and eye sockets, although the upper part of the forehead and the

upper jaw are wanting. There are also a right parietal with the corresponding part of the frontal, another large fragment of frontal with the right *torus supraorbitalis*, two lower parts of frontals with their corresponding *tori*, several temporal bones, six maxillary fragments, nine fragments of mandibles (Figure 130), some 200 teeth, a number of vertebræ and ribs, fragments of shoulder blades, 21 clavicles, 19 fragments of humerus, 11 of radius, 11 of ulna, a number of phalanges, a few fragments of ischium, two femurs fairly well preserved, 15 patellæ, 3 fragments of tibia, 14 fibulæ, as well as calcanea, astragali, and other bones of the foot.

*Note 2, p. 300.* *Elephas* with affinities to *primigenius*, *Equus leptotylus*, *Sus scrofa*, *Cervus hortulorum*, *Elaphurus davidianus*, *Bos primigenius*, and *Bison exiguus*.

*Note 3, p. 300.* In the Pithecanthropus deposits of the Kendeng formation near Trinil there were found fragments of ivory, splinters of bone, and traces of fire consisting chiefly of wood ashes. With praiseworthy caution E. Carthaus has pointed out that these features may just as well be due to natural causes as to human agency, since traces of fire in a volcanic region may easily be due to forest fires.

*Note 4, p. 305.* The skeleton from the brook of Samborombón is at Valencia in the Palæontological Museum founded by D. José Rodrigo Botet. See the account by Eduardo Boscá Casanoves, titled "El esqueleto humano fósil del arroyo de Samborombón, América del Sur," published by the Asociación Española para el Progreso de las Ciencias, Congress of Saragossa, 1908.

*Note 5, p. 307.* At Victoria near Warrnambool, Hie-Hie, Australia, report has been made of peculiar indentations which are supposed to indicate the presence of primitive man. They occur in the sandstone of this region, formed by beach dunes of unknown age. Some of the impressions indicate the tracks of the dingo (!), kangaroo, and emu, and others have been interpreted by Archibald as the imprint of human buttocks. There must be some explanation of these impressions which, according to G. Gregory, have been hollowed out by the wind. The same holds good in regard to the supposed human footprints which present a contour resembling a man's foot, although it has been said that the foot in question certainly wore a shoe. F. Nötling, however, sees in these imprints only the traces of a fossil kangaroo.

*Note 6, p. 307.*

*Cephalic indices.*

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| Crô-Magnon, No. 1 . . . . .              | 73.8 .    |
| Grotte des Enfants (tall male) . . . . . | 76.26 (!) |



|                               |      |
|-------------------------------|------|
| Barma Grande, No. 2 . . . . . | 71.4 |
| Combe Capelle . . . . .       | 65.7 |
| Chancelade . . . . .          | 72.  |
| Obercassel (male) . . . . .   | 74.  |
| Obercassel (female) . . . . . | 71.  |

*Note 7, p. 309.* The skull fragment of Cannstatt is not only very dubious and undated, but it also does not present a single Neanderthaloid character (p. 295). The perfectly justifiable term of "Spy Race" was also later abandoned.

*Note 8, p. 309.* The name *Homo primigenius*—not very happily chosen—was proposed in 1903 by L. Wilser. Other terms which, in conformity to the verdict of most anthropologists, we refuse to adopt are those of *Homo musteriensis*, *Homo krapinensis*, etc., which are not in accordance with a systematic classification. Such minor differences as do exist are, in all probability, largely due to local variations or modifications, and are not sufficient to justify a separation into "races."

*Note 9, p. 314.* "The horizontal ramus measures only about 27 mm. in height behind, but must have been a little higher forward. There is a great width of the temporal insertion, the mylohyoid groove is situated behind rather than in line with the dental foramen, and there is a complete absence of the mylohyoid ridge—all characters of the mandible in apes, not in man. As the horizontal ramus curves round to the symphysis its lower margin exhibits an increasingly wider flattening, which begins beneath the second molar, slopes upward and outward, and ends in front in the strongly retreating chin. The inner edge of this flattening is sharply rounded, and at the symphysis itself the inner face of the jaw is so much depressed in its lower part that the bone here has the form of a nearly horizontal plate or flange closely similar to that found in all the apes. The genio-hyo-glossal and geniohyoid muscles, in fact, must have had their origin in a deep pit, as in the apes; while the digastric can only have been inserted on the edge of the bony flange instead of extending far over the lower border as in man. Unfortunately, the absence of the upper part of the symphysis does not allow of a precise restoration of the specimen."—A. Smith Woodward.

*Note 10, p. 316.* Much uncertainty attaches to *Dryopithecus darwini* and *Gryphopithecus suessi* from marine Miocene deposits near Vienna, reported by O. Abel; and we confess to complete skepticism in regard to *Palæanthropus* recently (1920) described by W. Freudenberg, who founds his discovery on the "fossilized imprints" of "toes" and a "heel" which were associated with coliths in early Pliocene deposits at Hol, west of Antwerp. From

these he deduces the existence of a quadruped resembling man, and about thirty inches in height, which was short-toed and therefore unlike the apes.

*Note 11, p. 317.* The following list of mammals found in the Kendeng deposits is founded on the researches of H. Stremme, W. Janssch, H. Pohlig, O. Jäkel, and E. Hennig.

*Hystrix* sp.

*Manis palaeojavanica* Dub.

*Mececyon trinilensis*, n.g., n.sp.

*Felis oxygnatha* Dub.

*Felis trinilensis* Dub.

*Felis microgale* Dub.

*Feliopsis palaeojavanica*, n.g., n.sp.

*Hyæna bathygnatha* Dub.

*Lutra palæoleptomyx* Dub.

*Stegodon ganesa* var. *javanicus* Dub.

*Stegodon airawana* Mart.

[*Stegodon* cfr. *trigonocephalus* Mart.]

*Elephas hysudrindicus* Dub.

[*Elephas* sp., resembling *E. antiquus* Falc.]

*Rhinoceros sivasondaicus* Dub.

*Rhinoceros kendengindicus* Dub.

*Tapirus pandanicus* Dub.

*Sus brachygnathus* Dub.

*Sus macrognathus* Dub.

*Hippopotamus* (*Hexaprotodon*) *sivajavanicus* Dub.

*Hippopotamus* sp.

*Cervulus kendengensis*, n.sp.

*Cervulus* sp.

*Cervus* (*Axis*) *liriocerus* Dub.

*Cervus* (*Axis*) *lydekkeri* Mart.

*Cervus* (*Rusa*) *kendengensis* Dub.

*Cervus* (*Rusa*) *palæomendjangan* Dub.

*Cervus* sp.

*Tetraceros kroesenii* Dub.

*Duboisia kroesenii* Dub., n.g.

*Leptobos græneveldtii* Dub.

*Leptobos dipendicornis* Dub.

*Bibos palæosondaicus* Dub.

*Bibos protocavifrons* Dub.

*Bubalus palæokerabau* Dub.

*Buffelus palæokerabau* Dub.

*Macacus* or *Semnopithecus* sp.



*Macacus nemestrinus* L.

*Pithecanthropus erectus*

There are also numerous shells and remains of fishes and reptiles.

With the exception of *Stegodon* and *Leptobos*, now extinct, and of three new genera—which are, according to Stremme, *Mececyon*, *Feliopsis*, and *Duboisia*—all the genera are recent; but, among 27 species which can be identified beyond question, none is identical with those found to-day in the same locality.

Abbreviation: C.I.P.P. = *Comisión de Investigaciones Paleontológicas y Prehistóricas* (Madrid).

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## CHAPTER X

## NOTES AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

*Note 1, p. 325.* The shells of marine molluscs found in the "kjökken-möddings" or shell mounds at Mugem in the valley of the Tagus include those of *Lutraria compressa*, *Tapes*, *Cardium*, *Ostrea*, *Buccinum*, *Nucula*, *Pecten*, *Solen*, and others. The associated remains of mammals include *Bos*, *Cervus*, *Ovis* (or *Capra*), *Equus*, *Sus*, *Canis*, *Felis*, *Meles*, *Viverra*, and *Lepus*.

*Note 2, p. 344.* The fauna found in the "kjökkenmödding" at Oronsay excavated by A. H. Bishop in 1913 included *Halichærus gryphus*, *Phoca vitulina*, *Lutra vulgaris*, *Cervus elaphus*, *Sus scrofa ferus*, and others. No remains of *Bos* or *Canis* were found.

*Note 3, p. 345.* The fauna found in the Azilian industrial deposits at Valle includes remains of *Cervus elaphus*, *C. capreolus*, *Capella rupicapra*, *Capra pyrenaica*, *Equus caballus*, *Bos* sp., and *Sus scrofa ferus*. The upper half of the deposit also contained huge masses of *Helix*.

*Note 4, p. 350.* The characteristic molluscs of the Asturian shell mounds are *Trochus lineatus*, *Patella vulgata* (the small variety), and *Cardium edule*. Others, less numerous, are *Nassa reticulata*, *Tuberculata atlantica*, *Mytilus edulis*, *Ostrea edulis*, *Triton nodiferus*, *Echinus*, and *Helix nemoralis*.

Embedded in these shell mounds are the remains of the following mammals: *Cervus elaphus*, *Cervus capreolus*, *Equus caballus*, *Bos*, *Sus scrofa*, *Capra pyrenaica*, *Capella rupicapra*, *Mustela putorius*, *Lutra vulgaris*, *Canis vulpes*, *Felis catus*, *Meles taxus*, and *Lepus timidus*.

*Note 5, p. 358.* On the "tierras negras" of southern Spain see:

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*Note 6, p. 364.* The fauna found at Maglemose consists chiefly of *Bos taurus urus* (*Bos primigenius*), *Cervus alces*, *Cervus elaphus*, *Cervus capreolus*, and *Sus scrofa ferus*. Of less frequent occurrence are *Castor fiber*, *Ursus arctos*, etc. There are also remains of two or three individuals of *Canis familiaris*. Concerning the latter, it is interesting to note that the domestic dog is also found



in the Azilian of Great Britain and, probably, in the Tardenoisian of Portugal, while it is apparently indigenous to Spain.

*Note 7, p. 365.* In southern Europe (Spain) *Littorina litorea* is characteristic of the most recent Pleistocene—the large variety being found with Late Palæolithic deposits, and the small variety with Epipalæolithic (Azilian) deposits (pp. 347, 350).

*Abbreviation: C.I.P.P. = Comisión de Investigaciones Paleontológicas y Prehistóricas (Madrid).*

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